## **Equity Research**

### ETP/ETE/RGNC: Third Time's A Charm?

Lowering ETE Val. On Higher SUG Bid -- Maintaining Positive Outlook

Sector Rating: Gathering & Processing MLPs, Overweight Sector Rating: General Partnership MLPs, Overweight Sector Rating: Large Cap Pipeline MLPs, Overweight

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		Chg.	Price		Chg.		Chg.		
Ticker	Rating	Y/N	07/21/11	2011E	Y/N	2012E	Y/N	Curr	Prior
Gatherin	g & Proc	essin	g MLPs						
RGNC	1	Ν	\$26.01	\$1.88	Ν	\$2.00	Ν	\$27-30	NC
General I	Partners	hip M	LPs						
ETE	1	Ň	42.14	2.30	Ν	2.67	Ν	\$47-50	\$48-51
Large Ca	p Pipelin	e ML	Ps						
ETP	1	Ν	47.15	3.50	Ν	4.07	Ν	\$53-57	NC

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- **Key Takeaways.** On 7/19/11, Energy Transfer Equity (ETE) announced a revised merger agreement to acquire Southern Union Company (SUG) for \$9.4B, including \$5.7 billion in cash and ETE common units. The revised offer equates to \$44.25/share for SUG investors (up from ETE's previous and original offers of \$40/share and \$33/share, respectively, and above a competing offer of \$44/share). Given that the revised bid is about \$0.20/unit less accretive to cash flow than ETE's previous offer, we are lowering our valuation range for ETE by \$1 to \$47-50/unit. Notwithstanding, we are maintaining our positive outlook for all three Energy Transfer affiliated companies with a bias towards ETE. Our revised valuation range still implies meaningful upside for ETE. Additionally, even if ETE is unsuccessful, the partnership would benefit from \$181MM of break-up fees, which could be used to pay down debt and generate \$0.06/unit of interest expense savings (i.e. implies a DDM valuation of \$49 per unit).
- Is Another Bid Forthcoming? How High Could ETE Bid? We estimate ETE could theoretically bid as high as \$47/share for SUG while still generating long-term accretion for ETE unitholders. However, a bid meaningfully above the current offer of \$44.25/share would generate only modest accretion (i.e. less than 5%). Further, the highest price ETE could pay may be limited by financing constraints. Finally, the potential accretion would need to be weighed relative to the execution risk tied to the transaction, in our view.
- Overview Of Deal Economics. The acquisition is accretive to ETE's DCF/unit by an estimated \$0.47 in 2012, \$0.29 in 2013, and \$0.12 in 2014. Our accretion estimates include the impact of the proposed Citrus drop down and a potential drop down of SUG's G&P assets in 2013. DCF accretion decreases over time primarily due to an assumed step-up in SUG's effective cash tax rate (i.e. to 30% in 2014 versus 0% in 2012). However, beginning in 2016, ETE should benefit from an incremental \$0.20/unit of accretion due to the expiration of its annual \$55MM IDR subsidy. Pro forma for potential drop downs and the expiration of ETE's GP subsidy (2016), we estimate ETE's acquisition of SUG could support an annualized distribution increase of at least \$0.24/unit (or 9%).

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#### Quick Overview Of ETE's Revised \$44.25 Per Share Offer For SUG

On 7/19/11, Energy Transfer Equity (ETE) announced a revised merger agreement to acquire Southern Union Company (SUG) for \$9.4B, including \$5.7 billion in cash and ETE common units. The revised offer equates to \$44.25 per share for SUG investors (up from the previous offer of \$40, ETE's original offer of \$33, and above a competing offer for \$44 per share). Under terms of the revised merger, SUG shareholders can elect to receive \$44.25 in cash or 1.000x ETE common units or a combination. The maximum cash component is 60% of the aggregate and the equity component could be between 40% and 50%. If SUG shareholders elect to receive more than 60% cash in aggregate, then ETE units and cash would be apportioned on a pro rata basis.

ETE has secured approximately \$3.3 billion in committed financing from Credit Suisse to fund the cash consideration to SUG shareholders. In addition, ETE announced that subject to closing the transaction, the partnership would sell its 50% interest in Citrus (which owns Florida Gas Transmission) to ETP for \$2.0B. The balance of the SUG transaction would be funded with ETE units. Notably, ETE plans to give up a total of \$220MM of IDRs over the next four years (or \$55MM per year) following the closing of the transaction in order to reduce dilution/ enhance accretion for ETP unitholders.

#### Other Notable Details Of The Transaction

- ETE has signed support agreements from shareholders (management) representing 14% of SUG's total shares outstanding, who will pre-elect to receive ETE common units.
- The merger agreement includes a breakup fee of \$181.3MM payable to ETE by SUG if the transaction is not completed (up from \$162.5MM in the previous merger agreement and \$93.5MM in the initial agreement).
- ETP has a right of first offer with respect to the sale of Southern Union Gas Services (i.e. SUG's gathering and processing assets in the Permian Basin).
- SUG shareholders electing to receive cash as consideration will be fully taxable on gains realized from the sale. Alternatively, shareholders electing ETE common units will defer taxes for that portion of the consideration received.
- The transaction would potentially represent the first time that ETE has issued new units since its IPO in early 2006.

#### **Overview Of Deal Economics**

If approved, we estimate ETE would be acquiring SUG at multiples of 9.8x forward EBITDA and 11.7x forward DCF. In comparison, ETE's previous bid for SUG carried implied EBITDA and DCF multiples of 9.4x and 10.5x, respectively, based on our calculations. To note, our EBITDA multiple calculations include SUG's 50% interest in debt at Citrus (i.e. 50% of an estimated \$2.9B of debt currently at Citrus, or \$1.45B).

#### Figure 1. Comparison Of ETE's Bids For Southern Union



Total consideration	\$10,850	\$10,350	\$9,350					
(/) 2012E SUG EBITDA + synergies	\$1,103	\$1,103	\$1,103					
Forward EBITDA multiple	9.8x	9.4x	8.5x					
Cash & equity investment	\$5,700	\$5,100	\$4,200					
(/) 2012E SUG FCF + synergies	\$486	\$486	\$486					
Forward cash flow multiple	11.7x	10.5x	8.6x					
Courses Commons data and Wells Forge Securities LLC estimates								

Source: Company data and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates

The acquisition is accretive to ETE's DCF/unit by an estimated \$0.47 in 2012, \$0.29 in 2013, \$0.12 in 2014, and \$0.22 in 2015. Our accretion estimates include the impact of the proposed Citrus drop down and a potential drop down of SUG's G&P assets in 2013. DCF accretion decreases between 2012 and 2014 primarily due to an assumed step-up in SUG's effective cash tax rate (i.e. to 30% in 2014 versus 0% in 2012). However, beginning in 2016, ETE should benefit from an incremental \$0.20 per unit of accretion due to the expiration of its annual \$55MM IDR subsidy. Pro forma for potential drop downs and post GP subsidies (2016), we estimate ETE's acquisition of SUG could support an annualized distribution increase of at least \$0.24 per unit (or 9%).

#### Figure 2. ETE Estimates Pro Forma For Revised SUG Acquisition

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Key Near-Term Assumptions	(\$MM)				er-Term Assumptions
Total investment	\$5,642			9.5x	Assumed multiple for G&P DD
Debt financing (%)	60%			\$1,995	Total size of G&P asset DD
Debt proceeds	\$3,385			70%	Percent sold to ETP
Assumed interest rate	6.0%			30%	Percent sold to RGNC
Equity financing (%)	40%			50%	Assumed equity financing (%)
Equity proceeds	\$2,257				
Drop down proceeds	\$2,000	J			
(\$MM, except per unit data)	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	Notes
(+) ETE EBITDA	\$755	\$841	\$891	\$944	
(+) SUG EBITDA	\$1,040	\$1,110	\$1,110	\$1,150	← 2011G + capex @ 8x multiple
(+) Potential synergies	\$63	\$75	\$100	\$100	← Assume lag before full synergies
(-) Citrus EBITDA (50%)	\$300	\$340	\$340	\$340	← 2011G + FGT Phase VIII
(-) G&P EBITDA		\$150	\$120	\$120	← Assume G&P drop down 2013
(-) Synergies associated with DDs	\$10	\$53	\$70	\$70	• $$10$ MM to Citrus / $$60$ MM to G&P
Total EBITDA	\$1,548	\$1,484	\$1,571	\$1,664	
(+) ETE cash interest expense	\$160	\$160	\$151	¢1/1	
(+) SUG interest expense	\$160 \$240	\$160 \$240	\$151 \$230	\$141 \$230	← 2011G + FCF > capex
(+) Citrus interest expense	\$240 \$90	\$240 \$90	\$230 \$90	\$230 \$90	$\leftarrow$ 2011G + no growth capex
(+) Total SUG interest expense	\$330	\$330	\$320	\$320	
(+) Debt financing costs	\$203	\$203	\$203	\$203	
(-) Drop down savings	\$210	\$330	\$330	\$330	← Drop downs + Citrus debt
Total interest expense	\$483	\$363	\$344	\$335	
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(+) ETE maintenance capex	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
(+) SUG maintenance capex	\$220	\$220	\$220	\$220	
(+) Citrus maintenance capex	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	
(+) Total SUG maintenance capex	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	<ul> <li>Assume flat maintenance capex</li> </ul>
(-) Drop down savings	\$80	\$112	\$106	\$106	← Citrus + G&P maint. capex
Total maintenance capex	\$220	\$188	\$194	\$194	
(+) ETE cash taxes & other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
(+) SUG cash taxes & other	\$1	\$69	\$138	\$147	← Bonus DD&A shields from taxes
(-) Drop down savings	\$0	\$45	\$87	\$87	← Citrus cash taxes
Effective tax rate (%)	0.3%	15.0%	30.0%	30.0%	← Assume cash tax rate increases
Total other costs	\$1	\$23	\$51	\$60	
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(+) ETE DCF	\$595	\$681	\$740 ¢252	\$802 #382	
(+) SUG DCF (+) Potential synergies	\$409 #62	\$411 ¢75	\$352 ¢100	\$383 ¢100	
(-) Citrus EBITDA (50%)	\$63 #200	\$75 ¢240	\$100 ¢240	\$100 ¢240	
(-) G&P EBITDA	\$300 \$0	\$340 \$150	\$340 \$120	\$340 \$120	
(-) Synergies associated with DDs	\$10	\$53	\$120 \$70	\$120 \$70	
(-) Debt financing costs	\$10 \$203	\$203	\$203	\$70 \$203	
(+) Total drop down savings	\$203 \$290	\$203 \$442	\$203 \$436	\$205 \$436	
(+) IDRs from new equity at ETP/RGNC	\$75	\$111	\$430 \$114	\$115	
(-) IDR subsidy	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$55	← Four years of IDR giveback
Total DCF	\$863	\$920	\$953	\$1,048	
(+) Old units outstanding	223.0	223.0	226.6	226.6	
(+) Potential new units issued	52.1	52.1	52.1		← \$2.0B @ current ETE price
Total units outstanding	275.1	275.1	278.7	278.7	
ETE DCF per unit without SUG	\$2.67	\$3.06	\$3.30	\$3.54	
Pro forma DCF per unit with SUG	\$3.14	\$3.35	\$3.42	\$3.76	
DCF accretion per unit	\$0.47	\$0.29	\$0.12	\$0.22	
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ETE distribution per unit without SUG	\$2.67	\$3.06	\$3.30	\$3.54	← Assumes 1.00x coverage
Yr/yr growth (%)	16%	14%	8%	7%	
ETE distribution per unit with SUG	\$2.99	\$3.19	\$3.26	\$3.58	← Assumes 1.05x coverage
Yr/yr growth (%)	30%	7%	2%	10%	
Distribution accretion per unit	\$0.31	\$0.12	(\$0.05)	\$0.04	
Source: Company data and Wells Fargo S	ecurities, I	LC estimat	es		

#### **Key Assumptions Behind Our Accretion Analysis**

To note, our accretion analysis is based on a number of assumptions as outlined in the section that follows.

<u>SUG EBITDA</u>. For 2011, management anticipates SUG to generate EBITDA of \$930-1,000MM. For 2012, we have assumed SUG generates \$1,040MM of EBITDA. Our 2012 EBITDA estimate is based on management's 2011 EBITDA guidance (i.e. \$965MM based on the mid-point) plus incremental contributions from SUG's 2011 organic growth capex budget of \$250MM and recently completed organic growth projects at Citrus (e.g. the \$2.5B FGT Phase VIII expansion). Assuming SUG spends the same amount of growth capital in 2012 (i.e. \$250MM) and a gradual ramp-up in demand charges at FGT, we calculate 2013 EBITDA at SUG of \$1,110MM. To note, the aforementioned forecasts are based on rough estimates.

<u>SUG Cash Taxes.</u> For 2011, management does not anticipate SUG to pay cash income taxes outside of minimal taxes at the state level (i.e. \$2MM). Management previously indicated that based on SUG's current pace of capex spending and bonus depreciation rules, cash taxes are unlikely to be significantly greater than 2011 levels over the foreseeable future. However, over the long-term, we anticipate cash taxes could increase as SUG loses the benefit of bonus depreciation rules and capex spending trends lower relative to historical levels (i.e. \$2.5B FGT Phase VIII expansion). We have conservatively assumed that SUG's effective cash tax rate increases to 15% in 2013 and 30% in 2014. For every 5% increase in SUG's effective tax rate, we forecast a \$0.08 negative impact to ETE's DCF per unit.

<u>Drop Down Of Citrus To ETP.</u> Pending the successful completion of ETE's proposed acquisition of SUG, ETE intends to sell its 50% interest in Citrus Corp. to Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. (ETP) for \$1.9B of cash (plus \$1.4-1.5B of associated debt at Citrus) and \$100MM of ETP equity. Because ETE intends to forego \$55MM of IDRs annually (for four years) in connection with the drop down, we calculate the acquisition should be modestly accretive to ETP in 2013 despite being transacted at a forward EBITDA multiple of roughly 11.5x. For modeling purposes, we have assumed the drop down closes on 1/1/12 and is financed by ETP with 50% debt and 50% equity (i.e. as a percentage of the total consideration, which includes debt at Citrus). The following figure outlines the assumptions behind our drop down accretion analysis in more detail.

Acquisition Assumptions (\$MM):		Financial Impact (\$MM):	2012E	2013E
Company	ETP	EBITDA	\$300.0	\$340.0
Cash investment	\$2,000	(+) Potential synergies	\$10.0	\$10.0
Debt at Citrus (50%)	\$1,450	(-) Maintenance capex	\$80.0	\$80.0
Total consideration	\$3,450	(+) Maintenance reclassification	\$20.0	\$20.0
Forward EBITDA multiple	11.5x	(-) Interest expense	\$103.8	\$103.8
Maint. capex (% of EBITDA)	27%	Available cash flow	\$146.3	\$186.3
		(-) Incremental GP distribs.	\$74.8	\$79.3
Financing Assumptions (\$MM):		(+) ETE IDR subsidy	\$55.0	\$55.0
Equity financing	86%	Distributable cash flow	\$126.5	\$161.9
Equity issuance	\$1,725.0	DCF per unit accretion	(\$0.04)	\$0.10
Current yield	6.7%			
Estimated distribution	\$3.70	Acquisition Metrics (\$MM):		
Implied unit price	\$53.98	DCF per unit accretion	(\$0.04)	\$0.10
New units issued	32.0	Max. distribution increase	(\$0.02)	\$0.05
Long-term debt financing	14%	Percentage increase	-0.5%	1.4%
Long-term debt issuance	\$275.0	Unlevered DCF return	6.4%	7.5%
Assumed rate	5.0%	WACC (no growth) based on financing	6.4%	6.4%
Equity (as a % of total consideration)	50%	Spread over WACC	-0.1%	1.1%
Debt (as a % of total consideration)	50%	Forward EBITDA multiple	11.5x	10.1x
Source: Company data and Wells Fargo	Securities, LLC	estimates		

#### Figure 3. Economics Behind Proposed Citrus Drop Down To ETP

#### Master Limited Partnerships

<u>Drop Down Of G&P Assets To ETP And RGNC.</u> Pending the successful completion of ETE's proposed acquisition of SUG, we have assumed that ETE sells its gathering & processing business (also known as Southern Union Gas Services or formerly Sid Richardson Energy Services Co.) to ETP and RGNC in 2013. ETP has a right of first offer with respect to the sale of SUGS. Management had previously noted that these assets were a prime candidate for drop down to the MLP. Given ETP's relatively large financing schedule (i.e. an estimated \$2.4B of equity over the next two years to fund growth associated with LDH and the Citrus drop down), we have assumed RGNC will jointly participate in the acquisition of SUGS. For modeling purposes, we have assumed the business is sold at a 9.5x multiple (i.e. \$2.0B of total consideration based on EBITDA of \$150MM plus \$60MM of assumed synergies) and completed on 1/1/13. Alternatively, ETE could monetize the assets for a higher multiple but provide ETP and RGNC with temporary IDR subsidies (i.e. similar to the Citrus drop down).

We forecast the drop down could be \$0.03 per unit accretive to ETP in 2013. Please refer to the following figure for additional details around the assumptions in our accretion analysis.

Acquisition Assumptions (\$MM):		Financial Impact (\$MM):	2013E
Company	ETP	EBITDA (70%)	\$105.0
Total consideration for G&P assets	\$1,995	(+) Potential synergies	\$42.0
Percent of G&P assets sold to ETP	70%	(-) Maintenance capex	\$22.1
Total investment by ETP	\$1,397	(+) Maintenance reclassification	\$0.0
Forward EBITDA multiple	9.5x	(-) Interest expense	\$34.9
Maint. capex (% of EBITDA)	15%	Available cash flow	\$90.0
		(-) Incremental GP distribs.	\$30.2
Financing Assumptions (\$MM):		(+) ETE IDR subsidy	\$0.0
Equity financing	50%	Distributable cash flow	\$59.8
Equity issuance	\$698.3	DCF per unit accretion	\$0.03
Current yield	6.7%		
Estimated distribution	\$4.02	Acquisition Metrics (\$MM):	
Implied unit price	\$58.66	DCF per unit accretion	\$0.03
New units issued	11.9	Max. distribution increase	\$0.01
Long-term debt financing	50%	Percentage increase	0.3%
Long-term debt issuance	\$698.3	Unlevered DCF return	8.9%
Assumed rate	5.0%	WACC (no growth) based on financing	8.1%
Equity (as a % of total consideration)	50%	Spread over WACC	0.9%
Debt (as a % of total consideration)	50%	Forward EBITDA multiple	9.5x
Source: Company data and Wells Fargo Secu	rities, LLC estima	ates	

#### Figure 4. Economics Behind Potential G&P Asset Drop Down To ETP (70%)

We forecast the drop down could be \$0.06 per unit accretive to RGNC in 2013. Please refer to the following figure for additional details around the assumptions in our accretion analysis.

#### Figure 5. Economics Behind Potential G&P Asset Drop Down To RGNC (30%)

Acquisition Assumptions (\$MM):		Financial Impact (\$MM):	2013E
Company	RGNC	EBITDA (30%)	\$45.0
Total consideration for G&P assets	\$1,995	(+) Potential synergies	\$18.0
Percent of G&P assets sold to RGNC	30%	(-) Maintenance capex	\$9.5
Total investment by RGNC	\$599	(+) Maintenance reclassification	\$0.0
Forward EBITDA multiple	9.5x	(-) Interest expense	\$18.0
Maint. capex (% of EBITDA)	15%	Available cash flow	\$35.6
		(-) Incremental GP distribs.	\$1.8
Financing Assumptions (\$MM):		(+) ETE IDR subsidy	\$0.0
Equity financing	50%	Distributable cash flow	\$33.8
Equity issuance	\$299.3	DCF per unit accretion	\$0.06
Current yield	6.5%		
Estimated distribution	\$2.06	Acquisition Metrics (\$MM):	
Implied unit price	\$31.00	DCF per unit accretion	\$0.06
New units issued	9.7	Max. distribution increase	\$0.03
Long-term debt financing	50%	Percentage increase	1.4%
Long-term debt issuance	\$299.3	Unlevered DCF return	8.9%
Assumed rate	6.0%	WACC (no growth) based on financing	6.6%
Equity (as a % of total consideration)	50%	Spread over WACC	2.3%
Debt (as a % of total consideration) Source: Company data and Wells Fargo Secur	50% rities, LLC estim	Forward EBITDA multiple ates	9.5x

#### Lowering Our ETE Distribution Estimates & Valuation Range Slightly

We are lowering our distribution estimates for ETE slightly to reflect the partnership's revised bid for SUG, which is less accretive than the partnership's previous offer (i.e. \$44.25 per share consideration for SUG equity holders versus \$40.00 per share of consideration previously). We now forecast ETE could increase its distribution by 9.8% over the next five years (2011-16E) versus 11.0% previously. Based on our pro forma distribution estimates for ETE (see following figure), we calculate a dividend discount model (DDM) valuation of \$50 per unit for ETE, which is \$1 per unit lower than our previous forecast.

Our valuation range for ETE of \$47-50 per unit is based on a blend of (1) our distribution discount model, which assumes a long-term growth rate of 1.5%, and a 8.5% discount rate and (2) a price to distributable cash flow multiple of about 20.5x our 2011 estimate. Risks to ETE trading in the range include (1) execution risk on completing the acquisition of SUG (2) execution risk related to completing organic growth projects at ETP; (2) weak fundamentals in the natural gas market; and (3) abnormally warm weather.



#### Figure 6. Comparison Of New And Old Pro Forma ETE Distribution Estimates / Valuation

#### Appendix: SUG Asset Overview

Southern Union is is engaged in the transportation, storage, gathering, processing, and distribution of natural gas. Roughly 90% of SUG's 2011 EBITDA consists of fee-based activities. The company's transportation and storage segment consists of a vast FERC-regulated, interstate natural gas pipeline network spanning 15,000 miles with 7.8 Bcf/d of capacity, LNG import terminals, and 100 Bcf of owned/leased storage capacity. SUG's gathering and processing assets (68% POP, 13% KW with conditioning, and 19% fee-based) are located in the prolific Permian Basin, which is benefiting from a resurgence of drilling due to the application of shale-tested horizontal drilling and fracturing technologies. The distribution segment provides natural gas service to over 500,000 customers in Missouri (via Missouri Gas Energy) and 50,000 customers in New England (via New England Gas Company). The company's debt is investment grade rated (Baa3 by Moody's, BBB- by S&P, and BBB- by Fitch).

#### Figure 7. Map Of ETP, RGNC, And SUG's Assets



#### **Cash Flow Mix Is Primarily Fee-Based**

As previously noted, the assets to be acquired generate predominantly fee-based revenue. The transportation and storage segment (fee-based with minimal volumetric risk) is forecast by management to generate 77% of 2011E EBITDA based on management's guidance. The natural gas distribution segment (fee-based) is expected to generate 9% of total EBITDA. To note, this segment does not generate MLP qualifying income; however, because total cash flow is expected to be less than 10% of ETE's overall cash flow mix, the assets can remain within the MLP structure. SUG's gathering and processing business (commodity exposure and volume risk) represents 13% of total EBITDA, of which roughly 11% is generated by commodity sensitive percentage of proceeds and keep whole contracts and 2% from fee-based contracts (based on equity volume guidance). To note, SUG has entered into hedges to mitigate commodity exposure associated with its processing business.

#### Figure 8. SUG 2011 EBITDA Guidance By Segment



Source: Company data and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

#### Note: Estimates have not yet been updated to reflect the SUG acquisition.

#### Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. (ETP) - Operational Summary

Year ended December 31 (\$ in millions, except for per unit data)

Natural Gar. Henry Hub (SMU) Durk QL WT(Skbh)         44.5         54.2         54.4         55.2         55.4         55.40         55.61         55.16         55.17         55.77	Commodity Assumptions	FY2010A	Q1'11A	Q2'11E	Q3'11E	Q4'11E	FY2011E	Q1'12E	Q2'12E	Q3'12E	Q4'12E	FY2012E	FY2013E	FY2014E	FY2015E
Crude QU-WTI (\$\cdot \not \not \not \not \not \not \not \n	· ·	\$4.51				\$5.39	\$4 77								
Natural Gas Liquids (§Bebl)         S46.88         S4.00         S60.4         S58.00         S57.25         S57.00         S58.00         S57.55         S58.00         S60.12         S57.45         S60.90         S60.12         S57.74         S60.90         S60.12         S57.74         S60.90         S60.12         S57.74         S60.90         S60.12         S57.74         S60.90         S60.75         S60.90         S60.90         S60.75         S60.90         S60.90         S60.90         S60.90         S60.90							•		•						
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Interstate Pipelines         214         79.7         92.9         99.4         107.3         373.3         118.6         122.1         23.2         24.7         24.80.5         480.5															
Midsman         312         74.3         121.0         130.7         128.6         445.5         133.8         138.3         148.7         160.0         57.7         83.9         72.8         100.7           Total Segment EBITDA (cross)         1,422.5         468.4         379.7         422.2         50.19         1,77.22         588.1         447.2         47.0         7.0	•														
Propane         261.7         140.8         14.4         17.1         93.7         266.0         19.9         19.5         293.3         30.00         306.6         131.2           Croid Sagment EIRTDA (gross)         7.2         7.0	•														
Total Segment EBITDA (gross)       1,432.5       468.4       379.7       422.2       501.6       2,472.2       570.5       2,272.1       2,415.1       2,429.4       2,533.0       28.0 <td></td>															
(+) Non-cash G&A expenses       27.2       10.2       7.0      <	Propane														
(-) Mpartner share of EBITDA       -       -       -       (12.0)							,					,	,		<i>'</i>
(+) Other non-cash adjustments, net       7.3.       (7.3.) </td <td></td> <td></td> <td>10.2</td> <td></td>			10.2												
Total EBITDA (net)         1,533.0         471.3         382.8         400.4         502.3         1,756.8         583.1         442.2         460.4         564.4         2,307.9         2,348.3         2,445.5           Net income         660.8         247.2         157.9         194.2         267.1         866.4         340.5         208.0         238.0         330.5         1,117.0         1,307.3         1288.8         1,368.7           Average Units Outstanding         188.7         194.5         208.5         208.5         215.0         221.0         221.1         221.1         221.1         221.1         221.1         221.1         224.0         224.6         228.8         232.6         427.9         238.8         1,368.7           Average Units Outstanding         184.5         208.5         215.0         124.0         123.1         224.4         224.0         224.0         224.0         224.0         224.0         224.0         224.0         123.0         133.0         471.3         382.8         400.4         502.3         114.0         142.2         402.4         246.4         286.1         133.1         131.1         134.3         131.1         144.5         224.7         124.1         142.4         246			- (7.0)		( )	· · ·		` '	` '	· · /	. ,	· · ·	· · ·	( )	
Net income         660.8         247.2         157.9         194.2         267.1         866.4         340.5         208.0         238.0         330.5         1.17.0         1.307.3         1288.8         1.368.7           EPU         \$1.49         \$0.71         \$0.23         \$0.37         \$0.66         215.0         215.0         221.1         211.1         221.1         221.1         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         210.0         211.0         211.0         211.0         212.0         213.0         211.0         212.0         213.0         212.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6         122.6			. ,		. ,		· · /			. ,		. ,	· · /		
EPU         51.49         50.71         50.23         50.37         50.67         51.98         50.99         50.37         50.46         50.83         52.64         52.83         52.60         52.73           Average Units Outstanding         188.7         194.5         208.5         215.0         205.6         215.0         221.1         221.2         24.14.44.6         152.2         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125.1         125	Total EDITDA (liet)	1,333.0	4/1.3	302.0	400.4	JUZ.J	1,730.0	J03.1	442.2	400.4	J04.4	2,030.1	2,307.9	2,340.3	2,430.3
Average Units Outstanding         188.7         194.5         208.5         215.0         206.6         215.0         215.0         221.1         221.1         211.1         218.1         224.0         228.6         231.8           Distributable Cash Flow (DCF)         1         1.533.0         471.3         382.8         400.4         502.3         1.766.8         583.1         442.2         460.4         564.4         2.505.1         2.307.9         2.348.3         2.446.5         571.3         1.31         1.14         1.12         1.12         1.12         1.22         1.446.4         1.52.1         1.22         1.44.6         1.52.2         1.28         1.31         1.34         1.34         1.32         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.22         1.1         6.1         6.1         6.1         2.41         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         2.62         1.63         1	Net income	669.8	247.2	157.9	194.2	267.1	866.4	340.5	208.0	238.0	330.5	1,117.0	1,307.3	1,288.8	1,368.7
Distributable Cash Flow (DCF)         1.533.0         471.3         382.8         400.4         502.3         1.756.8         583.1         442.2         460.4         564.4         2.00.7         2.307.9         2.348.3         2.466.5           (·) Interest expense, net         412.6         104.9         114.2         120.7         119.8         462.0         124.0         123.8         122.4         122.1         492.2         564.4         558.1         71.3         134.4         64.6         552.3         1.756.8         583.1         422.4         122.4         142.2         144.6         152.2         131.1         134.4           (·) Mortenance capex         99.3         19.6         118.9         31.5         50.2         21.1         6.1         6.1         6.1         12.4         12.5         12.6	EPU	\$1.49	\$0.71		\$0.37	\$0.67	\$1.98				\$0.83	\$2.64	\$2.89	\$2.60	
Adjusted EBITDA       1,533.0       471.3       382.8       400.4       502.3       1,756.8       583.1       442.2       460.4       564.4       2,050.1       2,307.9       2,348.3       2,456.5         (-) Interest expense, ent       412.6       104.9       114.2       120.7       119.8       462.0       124.0       123.8       122.4       492.2       546.4       565.1       571.3       144.6       152.2       362.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       152.2       362.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       152.2       362.2       126.1       12.6       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5	Average Units Outstanding	188.7	194.5	208.5	208.5	215.0	206.6	215.0	215.0	221.1	221.1	218.1	224.0	228.6	231.8
Adjusted EBITDA       1,533.0       471.3       382.8       400.4       502.3       1,756.8       583.1       442.2       460.4       564.4       2,050.1       2,307.9       2,348.3       2,456.5         (-) Interest expense, ent       412.6       104.9       114.2       120.7       119.8       462.0       124.0       123.8       122.4       492.2       546.4       565.1       571.3       144.6       152.2       362.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       152.2       362.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       152.2       362.2       126.1       12.6       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5	Distributable Cash Flow (DCF)														
(-) Interest expense, net       412.6       104.9       114.2       120.7       119.8       462.0       124.0       123.8       122.4       122.1       492.2       546.4       558.1       571.3         (-) Maintenance capex       99.3       19.6       18.9       31.5       31.5       101.6       12.7       21.7       36.2       36.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       162.2       12.5       12.8       13.1       13.4         (-) VD DBA and interest expense       22.5       7.5       4.1       4.5       5.0       21.1       6.1       6.1       6.1       24.3       22.6       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5       12.5	· · ·	1 533 0	471.3	382.8	400.4	502.3	1 756 8	583 1	442.2	460.4	564.4	2 050 1	2 307 9	2 348 3	2 456 5
(i) Maintenance capex       99.3       19.6       18.9       31.5       31.5       101.6       21.7       21.7       36.2       36.2       115.7       132.4       144.6       152.2         (·) JV DDK and interest expense       9.1       9.0       (0.4)       (0.2)       4.4       12.7       21.7       36.2       36.2       115.7       132.4       134.1       134.         (·) JV DDK and interest expense       22.5       7.5       4.1       4.5       50.0       21.1       6.1       6.1       6.1       24.3       24.2       2.6       2.7       5.	,						,							,	<i>'</i>
(-) Income tax expense       9.1       9.0       (0.4)       (0.2)       4.4       12.7       8.3       (0.1)       (0.1)       4.5       12.5       12.8       13.1       13.4         (-) JV DBA and interest expense       22.5       7.5       4.1       4.5       5.0       21.1       6.1       6.1       6.1       6.1       2.4       2.8       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       2.2       1.2.6       1.1.6       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.6.7       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.6.9       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.2.0       1.5.9       1.5.9															
(-) JV DD&A and interest expense       22.5       7.5       4.1       4.5       5.0       21.1       6.1       6.1       6.1       24.3       26.2       26.2       26.2         (+) UV distribs in excess of earnings       20.9       4.7       2.2       2.4       2.8       12.1       3.2       3.2       3.2       3.2       3.2       3.2       12.6       13.6       13.1       3.1       3.1       13.1       3.1       3.1       13.1       3.1       13.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.2       51.4       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.49       \$4.2	.,														
(+) JV distribs in excess of earnings       20.9       4.7       2.2       2.4       2.8       12.1       3.2       3.2       3.2       3.2       12.6       (14.9)       (15.0)       (15.0)       (1.1.9)       10.31       13.1				. ,	. ,				. ,	. ,					
Available Cash Flow       1,021.7       337.1       248.1       244.8       342.8       1,172.9       424.7       292.3       297.6       396.8       1,411.4       1,587.9       1,603.4       1,690.5         (.) Cash paid to Class E units       12.5       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       12.5       12.		20.9	4.7	2.2	2.4	2.8	12.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6
(·) Cash paid to GP       397.5       102.2       109.7       110.7       115.2       437.8       119.5       12.8       131.8       136.2       511.4       577.4       610.1       637.2         (.) Cash paid to class E units       12.5       3.1       3.1       3.1       3.1       1.12.5       3.1       3.4       5.2       5.6%       7.2%       8.9%	(+) Other adjustments, net	11.2	2.2	-	(1.5)	(1.5)	1.4	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(2.0)	(6.7)	(14.9)	(15.6)	(15.6)
(·) Cash paid to class E units       12.5       3.1	Available Cash Flow	1,021.7	337.1	248.1	244.8	342.8	1,172.9	424.7	292.3	297.6	396.8	1,411.4	1,587.9	1,603.4	1,690.5
Distributable Cash Flow         611.7         231.8         135.3         131.0         224.4         722.6         302.0         165.3         162.6         257.5         887.4         998.0         980.9         1,040.8           DCF Pr Unit         \$3.24         \$1.19         \$0.65         \$0.63         \$1.04         \$3.50         \$0.94         \$0.96         \$0.98         \$3.82         \$4.49         \$4.49           Cash Distribution Declared Per Unit         \$3.58         \$0.89         \$0.99         \$0.6%         1.1%         0.4%         3.4%         5.6%         7.2%         8.9%         6.3%         6.1%         2.3%         1.9%           Distribution Coverage         0.0%         0.0%         0.6%         1.1%         0.04%         3.4%         5.6%         7.2%         8.9%         6.3%         6.1%         2.3%         1.9%           Distribution Coverage         0.94         1.21x         0.83x         0.81x         1.10x         0.98x         1.35x         0.89x         0.85x         1.11x         1.104x         1.06x         1.02x         1.04x	(-) Cash paid to GP	397.5	102.2	109.7	110.7	115.2	437.8	119.5	123.8	131.8	136.2	511.4	577.4	610.1	637.2
DCF Per Unit Cash Distribution Declared Per Unit         \$3.24         \$1.19         \$0.65         \$0.63         \$1.40         \$3.50         \$1.40         \$0.77         \$0.74         \$1.16         \$4.07         \$4.45         \$4.29         \$4.49           Cash Distribution Declared Per Unit         \$3.58         \$0.89         \$0.90         \$3.50         \$0.92         \$0.94         \$0.96         \$0.98         \$3.82         \$4.05         \$4.45         \$4.29         \$4.49           YnYn % Change         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%         0.6%         1.1%         0.4%         3.4%         5.6%         7.2%         8.9%         6.3%         6.1%         2.3%         1.9%           Distribution Coverage         0.94%         1.21x         0.83x         0.81x         1.10x         0.98x         1.32x         0.89%         0.85x         1.11x         1.04x         1.04x         1.02x         1.04x           Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)         (63.8)         \$1.6         31.5         31.5         100.9         21.7         21.7         36.2         36.2         115.7         132.4         144.6         152.2           (as a % of EBITDA)         6%         4%         5%         8%         6%         6%	(-) Cash paid to class E units	12.5	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	12.5	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5
Cash Distribution Declared Per Unit         \$3.58         \$0.89         \$0.90         \$0.90         \$3.59         \$0.92         \$0.94         \$0.96         \$0.98         \$3.82         \$4.05         \$4.14         \$4.22           Yr/Yr % Change         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%         0.6%         1.1%         0.4%         3.4%         5.6%         7.2%         8.9%         6.3%         6.1%         2.3%         1.9%           Distribution Coverage         0.94x         1.21x         0.83x         0.81x         1.10x         0.98x         1.32x         0.89x         0.85x         1.11x         1.04x         1.06x         1.02x         1.04x           Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)         (63.8)         58.2         (51.0)         (56.4)         30.1         (19.0)         103.4         (37.6)         (50.5)         39.9         55.3         91.1         34.6         62.6           Capital Expenditures         -         <	Distributable Cash Flow	611.7	231.8	135.3	131.0	224.4	722.6	302.0	165.3	162.6				980.9	· ·
Yr/Yr % Change         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%         0.6%         1.1%         0.4%         3.4%         5.6%         7.2%         8.9%         6.3%         6.1%         2.3%         1.9%           Distribution Coverage         0.94x         1.21x         0.83x         0.81x         1.10x         0.98x         1.32x         0.89x         0.85x         1.11x         1.06x         1.02x         1.04x           Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)         (63.8)         58.2         (51.0)         (56.4)         30.1         (19.0)         103.4         (37.6)         (50.5)         39.9         55.3         91.1         34.6         62.6           Capital Expenditures         -									•	•	-				
Distribution Coverage       0.94x       1.21x       0.83x       0.81x       1.10x       0.98x       1.32x       0.89x       0.85x       1.11x       1.04x       1.06x       1.02x       1.04x         Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)       (63.8)       58.2       (51.0)       (56.4)       30.1       (19.0)       103.4       (37.6)       (50.5)       39.9       55.3       91.1       34.6       62.6         Capital Expenditures       99.3       19.6       18.9       31.5       31.5       100.9       21.7       21.7       36.2       36.2       15.7       132.4       144.6       152.2         (as a % of EBITDA)       6%       4%       5%       8%       6%       6%       4%       5%       8%       6%			•		•				•						
Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)       (63.8)       58.2       (51.0)       (56.4)       30.1       (19.0)       103.4       (37.6)       (50.5)       39.9       55.3       91.1       34.6       62.6         Capital Expenditures	0														
Capital Expenditures         99.3         19.6         18.9         31.5         31.5         10.9         21.7         21.7         36.2         36.2         115.7         132.4         144.6         152.2           (as a % of EBITDA)         6%         4%         5%         8%         6%         4%         5%         8%         6%         6%         4%         5%         8%         6% <t< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></t<>															
Maintenance Capex (as a % of EBITDA)         99.3         19.6         18.9         31.5         31.5         100.9         21.7         21.7         36.2         36.2         115.7         132.4         144.6         152.2           (as a % of EBITDA)         6%         4%         5%         8%         6%         6%         4%         5%         8%         6	Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)	(63.8)	58.2	(51.0)	(56.4)	30.1	(19.0)	103.4	(37.6)	(50.5)	39.9	55.3	91.1	34.0	62.6
(as a % of EBITDA)       6%       4%       5%       8%       6%       4%       5%       8%       6	Capital Expenditures														
Acquisition Capex       150.0       -       1,380.4       -       -       1,380.4       -       -       1,380.4       - <td>•</td> <td>99.3</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>100.9</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>115.7</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	•	99.3					100.9					115.7			
Growth Capex       1,305.7       188.0       481.5       208.5       146.0       1,024.0       153.1       115.6       115.6       115.6       500.0 <td>(</td> <td>6%</td> <td>4%</td> <td>5%</td> <td>8%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>4%</td> <td>5%</td> <td>8%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>6%</td> <td>6%</td>	(	6%	4%	5%	8%	6%	6%	4%	5%	8%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Contributions to JVs (ETP share)         141.8         -         207.0         -         52.5         259.5         238.4         238.4         238.4         185.9         901.3         70.0         -         -           Total Capex         1,696.8         207.6         2,087.8         240.0         230.0         2,765.5         413.3         375.8         390.2         337.7         1,517.0         702.4         644.6         652.2           Financing & Credit Metrics         99.0         -         717.5         -         350.0         1,067.5         -         350.0         -         350.0         200.0         2												-	-	-	-
Total Capex         1,696.8         207.6         2,087.8         240.0         230.0         2,765.5         413.3         375.8         390.2         337.7         1,517.0         702.4         644.6         652.2           Financing & Credit Metrics			188.0		208.5									500.0	500.0
Financing & Credit Metrics         929.0         -         717.5         -         350.0         1,067.5         -         -         350.0         350.0         200.0	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·														
Equity Issuance Via Secondaries         929.0         -         717.5         -         350.0         1,067.5         -         -         350.0         350.0         200.0	Total Capex	1,696.8	207.6	2,087.8	240.0	230.0	2,765.5	413.3	375.8	390.2	337.7	1,517.0	702.4	644.6	652.2
Equity Issuance Via Secondaries         929.0         -         717.5         -         350.0         1,067.5         -         -         350.0         350.0         200.0	Financing & Credit Metrics														
Equity Issuance Via At Market Program <sup>1</sup> 239.3       57.4       -       -       57.4       -		929.0	-	717.5	-	350.0	1,067.5	-	-	350.0	-	350.0	350.0	200.0	200.0
GAAP Debt / EBITDA (TTM)         4.2x         4.4x         5.1x         4.9x         4.6x         4.5x         4.5x         4.4x         4.4x         4.4x         4.0x         4.1x         4.0x           Debt Incl. ETP Share Of NR Debt At JVs         6.910         7,071         8,033         8,302         8,210         8,210         8,571         8,834         8,886         9,240         9,407         9,728         10,020			57.4		-			-	-		-				
GAAP Debt / EBITDA (TTM)         4.2x         4.4x         5.1x         4.9x         4.6x         4.5x         4.5x         4.4x         4.4x         4.4x         4.0x         4.1x         4.0x           Debt Incl. ETP Share Of NR Debt At JVs         6.910         7,071         8,033         8,302         8,210         8,210         8,571         8,834         8,886         9,240         9,407         9,728         10,020	Total Debt Outstanding	6,440	6.589	7,883	8,152	8,060	8,060	8,421	8,684	8,736	9,090	9 090	9 257	9 578	9 870
Debt Incl. ETP Share Of NR Debt At JVs         6,910         7,071         8,033         8,302         8,210         8,210         8,834         8,886         9,240         9,407         9,728         10,020		,	,			,	<i>'</i>							-	<i>'</i>
	Pro Forma Debt / EBITDA (TTM)	4.5x	.,	2,000	2,002	2,213	4.7x	4.6x	4.6x	4.5x	4.5x		4.1x	4.2x	4.1x

Note 1: Equity raised through at-the-market equity distribution program Source: Partnership reports and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates

#### Note: Estimates have not yet been updated to reflect the SUG acquisition.

#### Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. (ETE) - Operational Summary

Year ended December 31 (\$ in millions, except for per unit data)

Summary Income Statement	FY2010A	Q1'11A	Q2'11E	Q3'11E	Q4'11E	FY2011E	Q1'12E	Q2'12E	Q3'12E	Q4'12E	FY2012E	FY2013E	FY2014E	FY2015E
ETP LP Interest	190.5	44.9	44.9	45.1	45.4	180.3	46.4	47.4	48.4	49.4	191.6	203.3	207.9	212.0
ETP GP Interest	395.5	108.1	109.1	110.1	114.6	441.9	118.9	123.2	131.1	135.5	508.7	574.4	606.9	634.0
RGNC LP Interest	35.1	11.7	11.7	11.7	12.0	47.0	12.0	12.1	12.1	12.4	48.7	51.6	55.0	58.4
RGNC GP Interest	6.7	2.4	2.5	2.5	3.1	10.5	3.1	3.5	3.5	4.1	14.3	20.4	29.3	48.0
(-) SG&A expense	21.9	1.8	2.0	2.0	2.0	7.8	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	8.2	8.4	8.6	8.9
Total EBITDA	605.8	165.3	166.1	167.4	173.1	671.9	178.4	184.2	193.1	199.3	755.0	841.3	890.5	943.5
Average Units Outstanding	222.9	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	223.0	224.3	226.6
Distributable Cash Flow (DCF)														
Adjusted EBITDA	605.8	165.3	166.1	167.4	173.1	671.9	178.4	184.2	193.1	199.3	755.0	841.3	890.5	943.5
(-) Interest expense, net <sup>1</sup>	122.7	40.1	39.8	39.8	39.8	159.4	39.9	39.9	39.9	39.9	159.7	160.0	150.6	141.2
(+) Other, net	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distributable Cash Flow	485.1	125.2	126.4	127.6	133.3	512.4	138.4	144.3	153.2	159.4	595.3	681.3	740.0	802.3
DCF Per Unit	\$2.18	\$0.56	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.60	\$2.30	\$0.62	\$0.65	\$0.69	\$0.71	\$2.67	\$3.06	\$3.30	\$3.54
Distribution Declared Per Unit	\$2.16	\$0.56	\$0.63	\$0.63	\$0.63	\$2.44	\$0.63	\$0.65	\$0.69	\$0.71	\$2.67	\$3.05	\$3.30	\$3.54
Yr/Yr % Change	1.2%	3.7%	15.7%	15.7%	15.7%	12.7%	11.6%	3.2%	9.6%	14.0%	9.5%	14.2%	8.1%	7.4%
Distribution Coverage	1.01x	1.00x	0.91x	0.92x	0.96x	0.94x	0.99x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x
Excess Cash Flow (Deficit)	3.6	0.3	(13.0)	(11.7)	(6.1)	(30.5)	(0.9)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.8	(0.8)	0.8
Financing & Credit Metrics														
Equity Issuance Via Secondaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Debt Outstanding	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,813	1,825	1,825	1,831	1,832	1,831	1,831	1,831	1,829	1,979	1,979
Debt / EBITDA (TTM)	3.0x	2.9x	2.8x	2.8x	2.7x	2.7x	2.7x	2.6x	2.5x	2.4x	2.4x	2.2x	2.2x	2.1x

Note 1: Includes cash distributions on preferred units

Source: Partnership reports and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates

#### Note: Estimates have not yet been updated to reflect the SUG acquisition.

#### REGENCY ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. (RGNC) - OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

Year ended December 31										
(\$ in millions, except for per unit data)	FY2010A	Q1'11A	Q2'11E	Q3'11E	Q4'11E	FY2011E	FY2012E	FY2013E	FY2014E	FY2015E
Gathering and Processing	236	52	57	62	69	241	291	325	335	373
% of Total	60%	53%	57%	58%	60%	57%	61%	62%	62%	63%
Intrastate Transportation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% of Total	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Compression	157	41	41	42	44	169	177	186	200	213
% of Total	40%	42%	41%	39%	38%	40%	37%	36%	37%	36%
Corporate	0	5	3	3	3	13	10	10	10	10
% of Total	0%	5%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Total segment gross margin	393	99	100	107	116	422	478	521	545	595
EBITDA	325	92	104	110	120	425	493	595	612	645
EPU	(\$0.17)	\$0.07	\$0.11	\$0.12	\$0.18	\$0.48	\$0.61	\$0.92	\$0.84	\$0.81
Average units outstanding	115.6	137.3	141.6	145.8	150.7	143.9	155.6	157.4	160.4	160.4
Distributable cash flow (DCF)										
Net income	(11)	14	17	19	30	79	106	162	161	172
DD&A	123	40	40	41	41	162	171	189	197	204
Other adjustments	67	(5)	(2)	(2)	0	(9)	0	0	0	0
Equity in earnings	(69)	(24)	(29)	(33)	(34)	(119)	(137)	(192)	(198)	(200)
Distributions received from equity investments	123	36	45	49	50	180	202	265	271	273
Maintenance capex	(15)	(3)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(14)	(17)	(19)	(20)	(21)
Available cash flow	217	59	68	70	83	280	325	405	411	429
General partner's Interest	(8)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(3)	(10)	(14)	(20)	(29)	(48)
Distributable cash flow	209	57	66	68	80	270	311	384	382	381
DCF per unit	\$1.81	\$0.41	\$0.46	\$0.47	\$0.53	\$1.88	\$2.00	\$2.44	\$2.38	\$2.37
Cash distribution declared per unit	\$1.78	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.46	\$1.79	\$1.85	\$1.97	\$2.10	\$2.23
% sequential distribution growth		0%	0%	0%	2%					
% yr/yr distribution growth	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	6%	7%	6%
Distribution coverage	0.96x	0.93x	1.01x	1.05x	1.12x	1.03x	1.08x	1.22x	1.13x	1.06x
Excess cash flow	(8)	(4)	1	3	9	8	23	74	46	24
% of total cash distribution										
General partner	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	4.3%	3.8%	4.7%	6.2%	8.0%	11.9%
Limited partners	96.3%	96.3%	96.3%	96.3%	95.7%	96.2%	95.3%	93.8%	92.0%	88.1%
Maximum potential distribution (MPD)	\$1.78					\$1.79	\$1.63	\$1.97	\$1.97	\$2.06
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Capital expenditures										
Maintenance capex	15	3	4	4	4	14	17	19	20	21
Growth capex	365	63	63	63	85	273	611	230	200	200
Acquisitions / dropdowns	877	0	592	0	0	592	0	0	0	0
Total capex	1,257	66	658	66	89	879	628	249	220	221
Credit and operating metrics										
Equity issuances (\$ in millions)	937	0	204	0	150	354	0	150	0	0
Total debt (\$ in millions)	1,141	1,216	1,671	1,733	1,665	1,665	2,253	2,269	2,415	2,587
Net Debt/Cap	25.5%	26.8%	43.3%	45.0%	42.7%	42.7%	53.0%	52.2%	55.9%	61.0%
Debt/TTM EBITDA	3.5x	3.4x	4.2x	4.3x	3.9x		4.6x	3.9x	3.9x	4.0x
Debt/EBITDA annualized	2.8x	3.3x	3.9x	3.9x	3.5x		4.3x	3.8x	3.8x	3.9x
EBITDA/Interest Expense	3.8x	4.3x	4.9x	4.7x	4.6x		4.2x	4.3x	4.3x	4.1x
Maintenance capex as a % of EBITDA	5%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%

Source: Partnership reports and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates

#### Valuation Range Information:

**RGNC Basis and Risks:** Our valuation range is based on a blend of (1) our three-stage distribution discount model, which assumes a required rate of return of 8.5% and a long-term growth rate of 1.25%, and (2) a price-to-distributable cash flow multiple of about 14x our 2011 estimate. Risks to the units trading below our valuation range include a slower-than-forecasted rate of investments, a decline in commodity prices, and rising interest rates.

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	7/10/2008		Blum			
	7/10/2008	NA	1	35.00	38.00	25.15
•	10/20/2008	15.83	1	20.00	22.00	16.27
•	1/15/2009	9.77	1	17.00	19.00	9.47
•	7/16/2009	15.40	1	18.00	20.00	16.24
•	10/7/2009	19.56	1	21.00	23.00	19.65
•	10/22/2009	20.03	1	22.00	24.00	19.55
•	1/15/2010	21.78	1	24.00	27.00	21.75
•	7/16/2010	25.00	1	26.00	29.00	25.01
•	1/28/2011	26.75	1	28.00	31.00	26.75
•	5/6/2011	25.99	1	27.00	30.00	26.29

Source: Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates and Reuters data

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	7/16/2008	NA	1	40.00	43.00	28.48
•	10/20/2008	18.31	1	31.00	35.00	20.03
•	2/18/2009	18.75	1	32.00	36.00	18.44
•	5/14/2009	25.29	1	34.00	38.00	24.99
•	7/16/2009	26.21	1	36.00	40.00	26.52
•	8/12/2009	27.45	1	35.00	38.00	28.30
•	10/22/2009	30.32	1	36.00	39.00	30.47
•	1/15/2010	33.36	1	38.00	41.00	33.44
•	5/12/2010	32.63	1	37.00	40.00	32.30
•	7/16/2010	35.46	1	39.00	43.00	35.24
•	9/22/2010	36.84	1	40.00	44.00	36.84
•	3/24/2011	42.89	1	43.00	47.00	43.59
•	4/20/2011	44.45	1	45.00	48.00	44.91
•	6/17/2011	45.61	1	48.00	51.00	44.24

Source: Wells Fargo Securities, LLC estimates and Reuters data

- Symbol Key Rating Downgrade
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#### Industry View In-Line

## Energy Transfer (ETE) / Southern Union (SUG)

ETE Stays in the Fight

We believe a combination of \$44.25 in cash and 1.0x ETE units for SUG shareholders is a better offer than WMB's current \$44 cash offer. We still see accretion to ETE (see exhibit 5) and a 10.2x 2012e EBITDA multiple for SUG (including Citrus).

As expected, ETE willing to fight for SUG. Following WMB's revised \$44/share all cash offer last week, ETE has returned with an improved offer to purchase SUG. The new offer values SUG at \$9.4b (up from \$8.9b), which includes the assumption of ~\$3.7b of debt (excluding ~\$1.3b of net Citrus Corp debt), under which SUG shareholders can elect to receive either \$44.25 cash or 1.0 ETE common units. The maximum cash consideration is 60% while the ETE common unit component can fluctuate between 40 - 50%. On Exhibit 5, we highlight that at 55% cash and 45% stock consideration, we see the future deal value to SUG shareholders at ~\$50-52/share. If this deal closes, we see benefits to ETE (even at this very high price): a larger midstream platform, new demand-centric and fee based natural gas pipelines, and additional organic growth opportunities (e.g., west Texas G&P, possible LNG exporting), while offering both immediate accretion and future dropdown potential into ETP. While a WMB counterbid is still possible, winning this battle could prove difficult given the upside ETE's bid offers and SUG board support.

**Terms of dropdown of 50% Citrus interest into ETP also revised upward to \$2.0b (from \$1.9b).** We calculate a 10.9x 2012e EV/EBITDA transaction multiple, including ~\$1.3b of proportional Citrus debt assumed. Assuming \$55m in annual incentive distribution payment giveback by ETE and some equity funding by ETP, we calculate the transaction as neutral to ETP and ETE (see Exhibit 6). The Citrus transaction is subject to the SUG merger closing. Additionally, future asset dropdown potential outside of Citrus could continue to make the SUG transaction beneficial to ETE. *Please see p. 2-4 for a review of the transaction.* 

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### Transaction Overview

#### TRANSACTION SUMMARY

ETE to acquire SUG for \$9.4b (excluding \$1.3b in Citrus pro rata debt). The transaction consists of a cash and equity component.

#### CONSIDERATION

- Equity issuance. SUG shareholders can exchange their  $\Rightarrow$ common share for either \$44.25 cash or 1.0 ETE common units. The cash component cannot exceed 60% of the total consideration, while the equity component can flex between 40 to 50% of total consideration.
- Financing. The merger is not subject to any financing  $\Rightarrow$ contingency as ETE has secured approximately \$3.7b in committed financing from Credit Suisse to fund the cash consideration to SUG shareholders.
- Drop down potential. In connection with the transaction  $\Rightarrow$ agreement, ETE also announced binding agreement to drop down SUG's 50% interest in Citrus for a consideration of \$2.0b in cash upon closing. The drop down of Citrus to ETP allows ETE to deleverage its balance sheet upon closing. Citrus owns a 100% interest in the Florida Gas Transmission Pipeline system.
- $\Rightarrow$ Approval. The boards of directors of both companies have unanimously approved the revised agreement. Additionally, 14% of SUG shareholders have signed support agreements in favor of the transaction and pre elected to receive ETE common units as their consideration.

#### CLOSING

The transaction is expected to close in 1q 2012, subject to regulatory approval (state regulatory commissions, FERC and HSR) and SUG shareholder approval.

Exhibit 1

#### **Combined ETE Asset Footprint Post-Transaction** transformational acquisition creates massive natural gas infrastructure enterprise



Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

Exhibit 2

### **Organizational Chart Post-Transaction**

ETP and RGNC would be public vehicles while SUG would be owned directly by ETE



Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

#### Exhibit 3 **Transaction Timeline** nine months to expected closing



Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

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### Transaction Impact to ETE / ETP / RGNC – Big Impact to ETE

#### Impact to ETE: Modest Accretion, Long-Term Optionality

We estimate ~20% per unit distributable cash flow accretion from the transaction for ETE following two revisions to its initial offer. Of note, ETE has indentified \$100m in commercial and operating synergies and \$25m in one-time savings. Asset dropdowns provide additional future optionality to ETE.

#### Impact to ETP: New Asset to Diversify Cash Flow

ETE intends to undertake an immediate asset dropdown to ETP (Citrus). Given the attractive interstate natural gas pipeline and Permian Basin gathering & processing assets acquired in the transaction, we view this as a potential positive for ETE, ETP, and RGNC (ETE owns the general partner), although note the challenges in structuring immediately accretive transactions given the current value of ETE's offer to purchase SUG. We estimate the Citrus dropdown is immediately neutral to both ETP and ETE on a per unit distributable cash flow basis. ETP also retains a right of first refusal on the gathering & processing assets.

#### Exhibit 4

#### ETE Pro Forma 2011E Adjusted EBITDA

ETE now owns the general partner and 50.2m limited partner units in ETP, the general partner and 26.3m limited partner units of RGNC and all of SUG directly.



\$ 147,786 281,250 \$ 0.53 2.50 21%

\$

2.66

0.53

Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

#### Exhibit 5

#### Acquisition Potential to ETE

Assumptions (\$ in 000s)		Comments	Impacts to ETE
Total SUG Acquisition (excludes \$3.3b Citrus)	\$ 7,400,000		Total new distributable cash flow
EBITDA Return on Investment	10.1%	9.9x multiple	# of pro forma ETE units outstanding
			ETE immediate accretion from SUG
% SUG debt	50%	assumed debt of SUG	Current ETE distribution run-rate
Value of debt (excludes Citrus)	\$ 3,700,000		% accretion
Average interest rate	6.22%		
			MS estimated ETE 1q13e ETE distribution (excl SUG)
% new ETE debt	15%	cash portion - 55%	ETE immediate accretion from SUG
Value of debt	\$ 1,135,000	assumes \$2.0b cash	Possible future distribution run-rate
Average interest rate	6.50%	from Citrus sale to ETH	D
			Possible ETE trading yield
% new ETE equity	35%	equity portion - 45%	Implied future ETE stock price
Value of equity issued	\$ 2,565,000		
Unit price of equity issued	\$ 44.00		Impacts to SUG
# of ETE units issued	58,295	1.0x ratio	ETE exchange ratio for SUG
			equity portion
SUG EBITDA (excluding Citrus)	\$ 747,000	2012e MS estimate	ETE future stock value to SUG shareholders
Maintenance capex (excl Citrus)	(220,000)	29% of EBITDA	
Interest on debt (excl Citrus)	(230,000)	Stand alone SUG	Cash consideration
Interest on new ETE debt	(73,775)		cash portion
Other / taxes	(29,700)	10% of cash flow	Cash value to SUG shareholders
Synergies	100,000	guidance from ETE	
New distributable cash flow	\$ 293,525		Hypothetical total future value for SUG
Distributions to new ETE units	(145,739)	\$ 2.50 annual rate	
Total new distributable cash flow	\$ 147,786		ETE Cost of capital
	 		Cost of debt capital
			% funded by debt initially

P P	Possible future distribution run-rate	\$ 3.19
F	Possible ETE trading yield	5.3%
lı	mplied future ETE stock price	\$ 60.68
h	mpacts to SUG	
	TE exchange ratio for SUG	1.000x
e	quity portion	45%
E	TE future stock value to SUG shareholders	\$ 27.30
C	Cash consideration	\$ 44.25
С	ash portion	55%
C	Cash value to SUG shareholders	\$ 24.34
н	lypothetical total future value for SUG	\$ 51.64
E	TE Cost of capital	
C	Cost of debt capital	6.3%
%	6 funded by debt initially	 65%
	Cost of debt component	 4.1%
С	Cost of ETE equity	5.7%
C	Cost of ETE estimated distribution growth	0.6%
	Cost of equity capital	 6.3%
%	6 funded by equity initially	35%
	Cost of equity component	2.2%
	TE weighted average cost of capital	6.3%

Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research estimates

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Cost of equity capital % funded by equity

Cost of equity component ETP weighted average cost of capital

#### Exhibit 6

#### Potential Distribution Growth to ETP from Citrus Dropdown

Assumptions (\$ in 000s)		Comme	ents	Impacts to ETE and ETP		
Total Citrus acquisition Price	\$ 3,300,000			IDR give back wipes out GP distr on new LP units	\$	-
EBITDA Return on Investment	9.15%	10.9x	EBITDA mulitple	ETE 50% take of cash left available		145
				ETE new GP cash take	\$	145
% Citrus debt	39%					
Value of net 50% stake in Citrus debt	\$ 1,300,000			ETP 50% take of cash left available	\$	145
Assumed rate	6.76%			ETP units outstanding post equity		229,263
				ETP accretion / dilution per unit	\$	0.00
% new ETP debt issued	30%	to finan	ce \$2.0b in cash	% change off current \$3.58 payout		0.0%
Value of new debt	\$ 1,000,000					
Assumed rate	6.00%			ETP units owned by ETE		50,227
				New ETP LP accretion to ETE	\$	32
% new ETP equity issued	30%	to finan	ce \$2.0b in cash	New ETP GP accretion to ETE		145
New proceeds from equity	\$ 1,000,000			Total ETE new cash take	\$	177
ETP price of equity	\$ 46.00					
# of ETP units issued	 22,645	4%	spread	Assumed pro forma ETE units outstanding		281,250
				ETE accretion per unit	\$	0.00
2012e EBITDA	\$ 302,000	MS 201	2 estimate	% accretion off current \$2.50 payout		0.0%
Maintenance capex	(80,000)	26%	of EBITDA			
Interest on new debt	(147,880)			ETP cost of capital		
New distributable cash flow	\$ 74,120			Cost of debt capital		6.4%
Distributions to new LP units	(81,069)	63%		% funded by debt		70%
Distributions to GP on new LP units	(47,761)	37%		Cost of debt component		4.5%
Annual incentive give backs	55,000	IDR give	e back by ETE			
Cash left available	\$ 290	0	•	Cost of LP equity		8.1%
	 			Cost of GP equity		4.8%
				Cost of ETP distribution growth		0.5%
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Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research estimates

13.3%

30%

4.0% 8.5%

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### Energy Transfer Equity (ETE, \$44.03, Overweight, Price Target \$50)





Source: FactSet; Morgan Stanley Research

Price Targe	t \$50	Derived from our base case (assumes modest yield improvement and continued distribution growth, albeit at lower levels than in previous years). See page 9.
Bull Case \$65	4.75% yield / 52% distr growth	Above average growth as acquisitions get completed. Completion of a large acquisition at RGNC jumpstarts strong growth at ETE. Commodity price improvement supports processing margin expansion.
Base Case \$50	5.25% yield / 40% distr growth	Kick started by RGNC and new ETP pipelines. Investors gain confidence that ETE has the ability to resume distribution growth with several organic projects at ETP placed into service. RGNC interest provides additional avenues for growth.
Bear Case \$37	6.25% yield / 7.5% distr growth	Questioning ability to grow. MLPs with direct commodity price exposure are sold off, including ETE given processing and propane exposure.

#### Bear to Bull



Source: Morgan Stanley Research

#### Why Overweight?

- •Targeting emerging supply areas that need infrastructure. Strong growth potential given organic project and consolidation opportunities in the coming quarters.
- Purchase of SUG provides significant incremental cash flow and optionality through asset dropdowns.
- •RGNC general partner interest provides a new, less developed platform.
- •New, fee-based natural gas pipeline projects, additional equity financing at ETP, growth at RGNC could drive long-term 8% distribution growth while further lowering cash flow risk.

#### **Key Value Drivers**

- •New intrastate (Texas Independence, Carthage Loop, Kay Expansion) and interstate (Fayetteville Express, Tiger) natural gas pipelines provide new sources of stable cash flow in growing, producing areas facing shortages of takeaway capacity.
- •Gathering/processing/treating businesses represent a source of upside should prices rebound.
- •Growth of RGNC general partner interest.

#### **Potential Catalysts**

- Strong execution on existing operations and completion of growth projects.
- •Equity offering by ETP and RGNC boosts growth multiplier at ETE.
- •Acquisition announcement or large strategic action at RGNC.

#### Where We Could Be Wrong

- Processing risk creates cash flow shortfall, raising concerns about distribution safety.
- Difficulty identifying large new organic projects could make distribution growth more challenging.

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### Energy Transfer Partners (ETP, \$47.99, Underweight, Price Target \$53)



Risk-Reward View: Solid Asset Base But Growth Still Challenging

Source: FactSet; Morgan Stanley Research

Price Targe	t \$53	Price target derived from base case (assumes static yield and modest distribution growth)										
Bull Case \$58	6.5% yield / 5% distr growth	<b>Processing economics improve.</b> ETP is able to position itself once again as a growth infrastructure play in areas of prolific gas production, including emerging unconventional fields.										
Base Case \$53	7% yield / 4% distr growth	<b>Re-starting payout growth, but only modestly.</b> ETP uses its strong liquidity to fund its capital programs and is able to identify a new growth strategy through acquisitions and other shale opportunities, but struggles to translate capital investment into significant distribution growth acceleration.										
Bear Case \$44	8% yield / 0% distr growth	<b>Stuck in the mud.</b> Stock yields way above normal as investor fears about processing economics, basis differentials, and demand destruction return.										

#### Bear to Bull



Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

#### Why Underweight?

- High-quality intra- and interstate pipeline systems serving major natural gas basins (Barnett, Rockies, Texas Panhandle) with downstream integration through LDH assets.
   Strong liquidity position provides buffer should capital market access become more expensive.
- •However, second largest general partner take of our universe makes for a higher cost of capital and less margin for error. Growth could prove more challenging as a result.
- •Commodity price exposure in a variety of respects creates a degree of volatility in cash flows that presents a further challenge (but also provides long-term upside).

#### **Key Value Drivers**

- •New pipeline projects and gathering and processing expansions that provide fee-based revenue and new platforms for future growth.
- •Recovery in natural gas demand supportive of system volumes.
- •Organic growth around NGL fractionation and storage assets as well as service bundling opportunities.

#### **Potential Catalysts**

- •Rebound in distributable cash flow supports distribution growth resumption.
- •Acquisition announcement.
- Strong execution on existing operations and completion of new growth projects.

#### Where We Could Be Wrong

- •Sharp rally in commodity prices improves processing economics.
- •Investors gravitate to large cap MLPs trading at higher yields.

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### Southern Union Company (SUG, \$43.33, Equal-weight, Price Target \$44)

Risk-Reward View: ETE Transaction Sets Valuation for the Stock



Price Targe	et \$44	Derived from base case average of four valuation methodologies								
Bull Case \$48	11x Trans. EV/EBITDA, 10.5x G&P EV/EBITDA	<b>Growth investment accelerates.</b> Beyond large announced projects (Trunkline South Texas, FGT Phase VIII), capital-spending acceleration in the Permian Basin could surprise currently muted growth expectations, while improvement in gathering/processing conditions could create material margin expansion.								
Base Case \$44	10.5x Trans. EV/EBITDA, 10x G&P EV/EBITDA	<b>Limited downside / project execution as planned.</b> Fairly limite major catalysts absent anticipation of uptick in natural gas production or a large acquisition, although broader restructuring theme could attract investor interest in MLP potential at SUG.								
Bear Case \$33	8x Trans. EV/EBITDA, 7x G&P EV/EBITDA	Sustained pressure on gathering/processing volumes weighs on credit metrics/FGT Phase VIII does not get new commitments. A credit downgrade could constrain growth by making capital prohibitively expensive relative to project returns. Earnings volatility in gathering/processing makes it difficult for investors to ascribe full valuation to attractive pipeline assets.								

#### Sum-of-the-Parts Breakdown (one part of valuation methodology)

Southern Union Company	Value (\$ m)	\$/Share
Transportation and Storage	\$8,646	\$69
Gathering and Processing	958	8
Distribution	886	7
Value per Share	\$10,490	\$84
Net Debt	(5,020)	(40)
Net Equity Value	\$5,470	\$44
Shares Outstanding (in mm)		126

Source: Morgan Stanley Research

#### Why Equal-weight?

• Valuation set by sale to ETE, with likely redemption of Series B units received as consideration in 2012 at \$33/unit.

• Potential transaction aside, strong pipeline growth from capital spending, but may take time to get executed and recognized given uncontracted capacity on FGT.

• Vast interstate natural gas pipeline (7.8 Bcf/d capacity) and storage (100 Bcf capacity) network, including LNG import terminal.

• Solid midstream footprint in oil basins in Texas, but needs to prove it can execute in its G&P segment and develop substantial new projects.

#### **Key Value Drivers**

• Access to diverse supply sources and growing markets in transportation and storage network creates longerterm opportunities for growth projects. Major projects such as FGT Phase VIII Expansion (~\$150m of EBITDA net to SUG if fully contracted) and Trunkline South Texas (\$7-9m EBITDA).

• Leverage to natural gas prices and processing spreads.

• Gas distribution business growth tied to customer growth and rate increase approvals.

• Possible LNG export project with BG with 25-year contract term.

#### **Potential Catalysts**

• Recovery in natural gas prices drives gathering/processing volumes.

• New projects announced in Texas oil plays.

• Dividend increase with free cash flow in 2012.

#### Where We Could Be Wrong

Deterioration in natural gas production fundamentals and continued recovery in processing spreads.

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#### Exhibit 7

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ETE Income Statement & Distributable Cash				
(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E
Total Revenue	\$6,604,132	\$5,805,088	\$5,811,018	\$5,856,351
Cost of Product Sold	(4,115,243)	(3,028,351)	(2,823,376)	(2,721,770)
Gross Profit	2,488,889	2,776,737	2,987,642	3,134,581
Operating Expenses	(786,086)	(703,021)	(723,130)	(730,561)
Depreciation & Amortization	(431,649)	(444,222)	(434,133)	(445,484)
SG&A	(234,321)	(201,466)	(187,196)	(190,968)
Operating Income	1,036,833	1,428,028	1,643,183	1,767,568
EBITDA	1,468,482	1,872,250	2,077,316	2,213,053
Other Income (Loss)	(68,237)	(83,492)	(83,909)	(84,329)
Interest	(558,514)	(681,232)	(735,596)	(767,236)
Equity in earnings	65,220	30,389	6,714	6,849
Minority Interests	(143,822)	(257,952)	(283,747)	(354,684)
Income Tax Expense	(13,738)	(41,726)	(42,505)	(42,590)
Net Income Before GP Interest	317,742	394,015	504,140	525,578
GP Interest	(597)	(1,181)	(1,435)	(1,745)
Net Income Available to Limited Partners	317,145	392,834	502,704	523,834
Earnings Per Unit (Operating)	\$ 1.42	\$ 1.76	\$ 2.25	\$ 2.35
Weighted Average Diluted Number of Units Outstanding	222,941	222,955	222,955	222,955
Distributable cash flow				
(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E
	\$190,531	\$182,575	\$190,611	
ETP Units - Direct Ownership GP Interest in ETP	\$190,531			\$197,392 \$2,377
	\$375,959	\$6,539 \$457.071	\$2,304 \$527,800	\$2,377 \$576.374
Incentive Distribution Rights on ETP Units Total Cash Inflows from ETP		\$457,071 \$646,186		\$576,374 \$776,142
Total Cash millows from ETP	\$586,013	\$646,186	\$720,715	\$776,143
RGNC Units - Direct Ownership	\$35,066	\$48,331	\$51,220	\$52,796
GP Interest in RGNC	\$3,640	\$4,454	\$4,415	\$4,623
Incentive Distribution Rights on RGNC Units	\$3,016	\$8,439	\$14,796	\$18,727
Total Cash Inflows from RGNC	\$41,722	\$61,224	\$70,431	\$76,146
Total distributions expected from ETP and RGNC	\$627,735	\$707,410	\$791,146	\$852,289
(G&A)	(21,942)	(7,073)	(7,215)	(7,361)
(Interest Expense)	(122,728)	(161,684)	(164,942)	(168,265)
(GP Contributions to Maintain Interest)	2,046	0	0	0
Distributable Cash Flow Before GP Interest	\$485,111	\$538,653	\$618,989	\$676,663
GP interest	1,496	1,670	1,919	2,098
Distributable CF Available to Common Units	\$486,607	\$540,323	\$620,908	\$678,761
Units Outstanding	222,941	222,955	222,955	222,955
Distributable Cash Flow per Unit	\$2.17	\$2.41	\$2.77	\$3.03
ETE indicated distribution	\$ 2.16			\$ 2.75
% increase	1.2%	6.5%	9.1%	9.6%
Distribution Coverage	1.00x	1.05x	1.10x	1.10x
Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research				

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#### Exhibit 8 ETE Distribution Discount Model

Distribution Discount Model		2011E		2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E
ETE distribution per unit	\$	2.30	\$	2.51	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.99	\$ 3.23	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.71	\$ 3.95	\$ 4.19	\$ 4.43	\$ 4.67
Terminal value													\$ 57.17
Total	\$	2.30	\$	2.51	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.99	\$ 3.23	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.71	\$ 3.95	\$ 4.19	\$ 4.43	\$ 61.84
PV of distributions	\$	2.30	\$	2.30	\$ 2.30	\$ 2.29	\$ 2.27	\$ 2.23	\$ 2.18	\$ 2.13	\$ 2.06	\$ 2.00	\$ 25.53
Growth rate in distribution		6.5%		9.1%	9.6%	8.7%	8.0%	7.4%	6.9%	6.5%	6.1%	5.7%	5.4%
Current Equity Value per Unit		\$47.59	1										
Equity Value per Unit - 12 Months Forward		\$49.70											
Assumptions													
1-5-year paid distribution CAGR		8.6%											
6-10-year paid distribution CAGR		6.1%											
Terminal Growth Rate		1.0%											
Discount Rate		9.3%											
Terminal Discount Rate		9.3%											
Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Re	searc	h											

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#### Exhibit 9 ETP Income Statement

(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Margin					
Midstream	\$410,201	\$433,053	\$476,422	\$504,093	\$534,780
Intrastate transportation and storage	909,508	995,345	1,084,579	1,130,908	1,182,365
Interstate transportation and storage	292,419	465,181	486,415	507,284	530,365
Retail propane	644,904	692,205	771,525	806,630	843,332
Wholesale propane	-	-	-	-	-
Other	505,991	24,354	22,751	22,797	22,843
Eliminations	(252)	(3,158)	-	-	-
Total	2,762,771	2,606,980	2,841,693	2971712	3113684
Operating expenses	707,271	670,814	722,989	730,412	736,780
General and administrative	176,433	183,499	187,196	190,968	194,816
Deprecation and amortization	343,011	400,930	434,133	445,484	456,413
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1,226,715	1,255,243	1,344,318	1,366,865	1,388,010
Operating income	1,536,056	1,351,738	1,497,376	1,604,848	1,725,674
EBITDA	1,890,794	1,759,249	1,938,222	2,057,181	2,189,074
Other income					
Equity in earnings (loss)	11,727	6,581	6,714	6,849	6,987
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	(5,043)	(6,956)	(7,096)	(7,239)	(7,385)
Interest and other income	16,497	8,607	10,462	12,717	15,458
Interest expense	(412,553)	(487,465)	(544,886)	(568,323)	(591,761)
Total	(389,372)	(479,232)	(534,806)	(555,996)	(576,701)
Income before minority interests	1,146,684	872,505	962,570	1,048,852	1,148,973
Income tax	(15,536)	(42,420)	(42,505)	(42,590)	(42,675)
Net income (Operating)	\$ 1,131,148	\$ 830,086	\$ 920,065	\$ 1,006,262	\$ 1,106,298
less G.P. 2% Interest in Net Income	13,065	18,105	21,297	23,359	25,736
less G.P. Incentive Distributions	374,664	444,751	506,503	553,015	595,936
Net Income Available for Limited Partners	\$ 743,419	\$ 367,229	\$ 392,265	\$ 429,888	\$ 484,626
Net Income per Limited Partner Unit (Operating)	\$ 3.94	\$ 1.74	\$ 1.72	\$ 1.83	\$ 2.00
Weighted Average Diluted Number of Units Outstanding Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	188,670	211,337	228,048	235,323	241,965

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## Exhibit 10 ETP Operating Data

(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Midstream					
Natural gas MMBtu/d - sold	887,837	-	-	-	-
% increase y-o-y	-17.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
NGLs bbls/d - sold	51,144	51,106	53,406	54,741	56,110
% increase y-o-y	25.2%	-0.1%	4.5%	2.5%	2.5%
Total Mboe	87,885	27,052	28,345	28,976	29,700
% increase y-o-y	-26.9%	-69.2%	4.8%	2.2%	2.5%
Margin per Mboe	\$ 4.67	\$ 16.01	\$ 16.81	\$ 17.40	\$ 18.01
% increase y-o-y	72.7%	243.0%	5.0%	3.5%	3.5%
Transportation and storage					
Natural gas MMBtu/d - transported	12,251,457	12,278,808	12,708,566	12,962,738	13,221,992
% increase y-o-y	-0.1%	0.2%	3.5%	2.0%	2.0%
Natural gas MMBtu/d - sold	1,641,563	-	-	-	-
% increase y-o-y	53.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Margin per MMBtu	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.24
% increase y-o-y	-12.5%	23.8%	5.0%	2.5%	2.5%
Interstate transportation					
Natural gas MMBtu/d - transported	1,616,762	2,355,618	2,414,509	2,474,872	2,536,743
% increase y-o-y	-2.7%	45.7%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%
Margin per MMBtu	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.57
% increase y-o-y	10.9%	10.8%	1.7%	2.0%	2.0%
Propane gallons sold (000s)					
Retail	138,716	137,035	141,737	145,280	148,912
% increase y-o-y	-2.4%	-1.2%	3.4%	2.5%	2.5%
Total propane gallons sold	138,716	137,035	141,737	145,280	148,912
% increase y-o-y	-2.4%	-1.2%	3.4%	2.5%	2.5%
Retail propane margin per gallon	\$ 4.65	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.44	\$ 5.55	\$ 5.66
% increase y-o-y	-5.2%	8.7%	7.8%	2.0%	2.0%
Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research					

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#### Exhibit 11 ETP Balance Sheet

(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)		2010		2011E		2012E		2013E		2014E
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	49,540		845,070	¢	838,151	¢	834,941		858,251
Marketable securities	φ	2,032	φ	2,653	φ	2,680	φ	2,707	φ	2,734
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Accounts receivable		556,995		579,482		591,159		603,071		615,223
Inventories		362,058		300,676		306,735		312,916		319,221
Deposits to vendors		-		-		-		-		-
Exchanges receivable		21,823		16,742		17,079		17,423		17,774
Risk management assets		13,706		12,973		13,234		13,501		13,773
Other		115,269		152,103		155,168		158,295		161,484
Total current assets		1,121,423		1,909,699		1,924,206		1,942,853		1,988,461
Property and equipment, net		9,801,369		11,525,724		11,834,495		12,131,772		12,417,973
Goodwill		781,233		781,233		781,233		781,233		781,233
Advances to affiliates		8,723		19,677		19,677		19,677		19,677
Intangibles and other I-term		437,244		516,165		626,676		739,918		855,957
Total assets	\$	12,149,992	\$	14,752,498	\$	15,186,287	\$	15,615,453	\$	16,063,302
Accounts payable	\$	329,174	\$	300,134	\$	306,182	\$	312,352	\$	318,646
Exchanges payable		15,451		20,603		21,018		21,442		21,874
Customer advances		-, -		-		-		-		-
Accrued liabilities		462,560		402,191		410,295		418,563		426,997
Risk management		-		-		-		-		-
Other		-		-		-		-		-
Short-term debt		35,265		35,080		35,080		35,080		35,080
Total current liabilities		842,450		758,008		772,576		787,437		802,597
Long-term debt		6,404,916		8,495,589		8,870,589		9,245,589		9,620,589
Other long-term liabilities		18,338		24,156		24,156		24,156		24,156
Deferred income taxes		140,851		155,281		155,281		155,281		155,281
Minority interest		-		-		-		-		-
Partners' capital - General Partner		174,618		179,496		177,192		174,815		172,371
Partners' capital - Limited Partner		4,542,656		5,124,006		5,170,532		5,212,213		5,272,346
AOCI		26,163		15,962		15,962		15,962		15,962
Total liabilities and equity	\$	12,149,992	\$	14,752,498	\$	15,186,287	\$	15,615,453	\$	16,063,302
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Total debt / total capitalization		58.6%		62.5%		63.3%		64.0%		64.7%
Average debt / EBITDA		4.3x		4.2x		4.2x		4.1x		4.0>
EBITDA / Interest		3.4x		3.8x		3.8x		3.9x		4.0>
EBIT / Interest		2.6x		2.9x		3.0x		3.1x		3.2)
Total debt	\$	6,440,181	\$	8,530,669	\$	8,905,669	\$	9,280,669	\$	9,655,669
Average debt		6,128,677		7,712,284		8,718,169		9,093,169		9,468,169
Average interest rate		6.7%		6.3%		6.3%		6.3%		6.3%
D&A rate (% of total PPE)		3.7%		3.7%		3.7%		3.7%		3.7%
Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research										

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#### Exhibit 12 ETP Cash Flow Statement

(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)		2010		2011E		2012E		2013E	2014E
		2010		2011		20126		20136	2014
Cash from operating activities Net income	\$	617,222	¢	905,268	¢	1,064,862	¢	1,167,939 \$	1,286,824
Depreciation and amortization	φ	343,011	φ	903,208 400,930	φ	434,133	φ	445,484	456,413
(Gain) Loss on disposal of operating assets		5,043		400,930 6,956		7,096		7,239	7,385
Provision for deferred income taxes		- 5,045		0,950		7,090		7,239	7,505
Minority interest		-		-		-		-	-
Equity earnings		20,909		(6,581)		- (6,714)		(6,849)	- (6,987)
Asset impairment		20,909		(0,501)		(0,714)		(0,049)	(0,907)
Other		90,890		-		-		-	-
Changes in working capital		125,208		- (57 720)		(6,859)		(6,997)	- (7,137)
Net cash from operating activities		1,202,283		(57,720) <b>1,248,853</b>		(0,859) <b>1,492,518</b>		(0,997) <b>1,606,817</b>	1,736,498
Cook from investing activities									
Cash from investing activities		(1 251 470)		(765 070)		(750,000)		(750,000)	(750,000)
Capex, expansion capital		(1,251,479)		(765,272)		(750,000)		(750,000)	(750,000)
Capex, maintenance		(99,275)		(101,266)		(103,798)		(106,393)	(109,052)
Proceeds from sales		27,881		681		-		-	-
Proceeds from insurance reimbursements		-		-		-		-	-
Cash distribution to minority interest		-		-		-		-	-
Acquisitions		(177,920)		(1,353,060)		-		-	-
Advances to affiliates, net		(6,775)		(11,053)		-		-	-
Other		13,720		2,754		-		-	-
Net cash from investing activities		(1,493,848)		(2,227,216)		(853,798)		(856,393)	(859,052)
Cash from financing activities									
Issuance of new units		1,152,228		898,691		375,000		375,000	375,000
Distributions paid to LP unitholders		(672,133)		(766,735)		(865,535)		(924,883)	(980,019)
Distributions paid to GP		(393,869)		(457,860)		(530,104)		(578,751)	(624,116)
Capital contribution from parent / general partner		8,932		-		-		-	-
ST-Debt borrowings		-		-		-		-	-
ST-Debt repayments		-		-		-		-	-
LT-Debt borrowings		1,538,286		2,858,412		375,000		375,000	375,000
LT-Debt repayments		(1,345,439)		(758,615)		-		-	-
Offering costs		-		-		-		-	-
Deferred debt issuance costs		-		-		-		-	-
Other		(15,083)		-		-		-	-
Net cash from financing activities		272,922		1,773,893		(645,639)		(753,634)	(854,136)
Net change in cash		(18,643)		795,530		(6,919)		(3,210)	23,310
Cash at beginning of period		68,183		49,540		845,070		838,151	834,941
Cash at end of period Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	\$	49,540	\$	845,070	\$	838,151	\$	834,941 \$	858,251

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#### Exhibit 13 ETP Distributable Cash Flow

(amounts in thousands, except per unit data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Net Income before GP interests	\$ 653,263	\$ 905,268	\$ 1,064,862	\$ 1,167,939	\$ 1,286,824
Depreciation and amortization	343,011	400,930	434,133	445,484	456,413
Other	124,744	43,753	40,909	41,733	42,574
Maintenance capex	(99,275)	(101,266)	(103,798)	(106,393)	(109,052)
Total distributable cash flow	\$ 1,021,743	\$ 1,248,686	\$ 1,436,105	\$ 1,548,764	\$ 1,676,759
Unit Structure					
Common Units	188,670	211,337	228,048	235,323	241,965
Total units outstanding	188,670	211,337	228,048	235,323	241,965
Indicated Distribution	\$ 3.58	\$ 3.64	\$ 3.80	\$ 3.93	\$ 4.05
% Increase	0.00%	1.68%	4.40%	3.56%	3.05%
Total unit distribution coverage Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	0.95x	1.02x	1.03x	1.03x	1.05x

#### Exhibit 14 ETP Distribution Discount Model

Dividend Discount Model		2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E		2021E
Available distributable cash flow per unit	:	\$ 3.67	\$ 3.85	\$ 3.99	\$ 4.14	\$ 4.30	\$ 4.47	\$ 4.63	\$ 4.81	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.22	\$	5.43
Actual paid distribution per unit		3.64	3.80	3.93	4.05	4.17	4.29	4.41	4.53	4.65	4.77		4.89
Coverage ratio at current distribution run-rate		1.02×	1.03x	1.03x	1.05x	1.06x	1.08x	1.10x	1.12x	1.15x	1.19x		1.22x
Paid distribution growth rates		1.7%	4.4%	3.6%	3.1%	3.0%	2.9%	2.8%	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%		2.5%
Terminal value of paid distribution												:	\$55.24
PV of paid distributions per unit		\$3.64	\$3.49	\$3.32	\$3.13	\$2.94	\$2.75	\$2.57	\$2.39	\$2.22	\$2.05		\$1.90
Sum of PV of paid distributions per unit	\$30.39												
PV of terminal value	21.41												
Equity value per unit	\$51.81												
Forecasted equity value per unit in 12 months	\$53.03												
Other data													
1-5-year CAGR	3.4%												
6-10-year CAGR	2.7%												
Terminal growth rate	1.0%												
Average coverage ratio	1.10x												
Discount rate	9.3%												
Terminal discount rate	9.9%												

Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research

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#### Exhibit 15 SUG Income Statement

SUG Income Statement					
(amounts in thousands except per share data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Operating revenues	000 540		074 000	000 (00	700.005
Gas distribution	698,513	659,503	671,283	699,480	723,305
Gas transportation and storage	769,450	791,868	811,696	836,210	861,463
Gas gathering and processing	1,008,023	1,050,884	1,102,981	1,125,041	1,147,541
Other	13,927	15,086	15,161	15,237	15,313
Total operating revenues	<b>2,489,913</b> 14.3%	<b>2,517,341</b> 1.1%	<b>2,601,122</b> 3.3%	<b>2,675,967</b> 2.9%	<b>2,747,622</b> 2.7%
y/y percent change	14.370	1.170	3.370	2.9%	2.170
Operating expenses					
Cost of gas and other energy	1,259,579	1,251,952	1,276,991	1,302,530	1,328,581
Revenue-relates taxes	37,619	38,356	39,123	39,905	40,703
Operating, maintenance and general	475,690	464,439	476,745	490,486	505,269
Depreciation and amortization	228,637	236,097	239,973	244,803	249,731
Taxes, other than on income and revenues	55,776	60,244	61,010	62,237	63,489
Total operating expenses	2,057,301	2,051,086	2,093,841	2,139,962	2,187,774
Earnings from unconsolidated investments	105,415	136,364	157,545	168,691	180,628
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Operating income	538,027	602,619	664,825	704,697	740,476
y/y percent change	4.5%	12.0%	10.3%	6.0%	5.1%
Segment EBIT					
Transportation and Storage	458,360	505,963	537,982	562,486	588,116
Gathering and Processing	41,394	765	27,742	38,125	43,478
Distribution	63,999	78,520	83,940	88,849	93,570
Other	(25,726)	17,372	15,161	15,237	15,313
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EBITDA	766,664	838,716	904,798	949,500	990,207
y/y percent change	5.2%	9.4%	7.9%	4.9%	4.3%
Other income (expenses)					
Interest expense	(216,665)	(221,194)	(222,749)	(223,544)	(224,354)
Other, net	312	227	115	117	120
Total other expenses (net)	(216,353)	(220,967)	(222,634)	(223,426)	(224,235)
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Earnings From Cont. Oper. Bef. Inc. Taxes	321,674	381,652	442,191	481,270	516,242
Federal and state income taxes	92,338	131,410	164,928	179,504	192,547
Earnings from continuing operations	229,336	250,242	277,263	301,767	323,694
Lamings from continuing operations	223,330	230,242	211,205	301,707	323,034
Net earnings (before extra. items and pref. stock div.)	247,436	250,242	277,263	301,767	323,694
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Preferred stock dividend	(5,040)	(2,883)	(2,898)	(2,912)	(2,927)
Loss from extinguishment of preferred stock	(3,295)	-	-	-	-
Net earnings available for common stock holders	239,101	247,359	274,365	298,854	320,768
Net Income from Continuing operations after Pref Div	224,296	247,359	274,365	298,854	320,768
Net Income per Share (Operating)	\$1.79	\$1.97	\$2.19	\$2.38	\$2.55
Net Income per Share (GAAP)	\$1.73	\$1.94	\$2.19	\$2.38	\$2.55
Average # of Shares Outstanding - Diluted	125,219	125,548	125,548	125,548	125,548
Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research					

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# Exhibit 16 SUG Operating Data

Operating Data	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Transportation and Storage					
Panhandle natural gas volumes transported (Tbtu)	1,399	1,457	1,478	1,507	1,538
y/y percent change	-6.2%	4.1%	1.5%	2.0%	2.0%
Revenue/Tbtu transported	550	544	549	555	560
y/y percent change	9.5%	-1.2%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Citrus and CCE Holdings nat gas volumes trans. (Tbtu)	418	498	567	595	625
y/y percent change	1.7%	19.3%	13.8%	5.0%	5.0%
Citrus Earnings/Tbtu transported	239	271	277	282	288
y/y percent change	30.7%	13.3%	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%
Gathering and Processing					
Volumes					
Natural gas sales (MMBtu)	81,760,690	81,711,145	88,466,356	91,120,347	92,942,754
y/y percent change	-8.8%	-0.1%	8.3%	3.0%	2.0%
Average pricing					
Gross Margin/ MMBtu	\$2.36	\$2.19	\$2.39	\$2.47	\$2.52
y/y percent change	97.3%	-7.4%	9.2%	3.5%	2.0%
Distribution					
Gas sales volumes (MMcf)	56,522	56,614	57,746	58,901	60,079
y/y percent change	-0.5%	0.2%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Revenue/MMcf sold	\$4.16	\$4.19	\$4.27	\$4.36	\$4.44
y/y percent change	6.7%	0.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Gas transported volumes (MMcf)	27,218	28,173	28,736	29,311	29,897
y/y percent change Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	3.8%	3.5%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
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# Exhibit 17 SUG Balance Sheet

(amounts in thousands except per share data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	3,299	163,284	249,156	355,685	460,818
Accounts receivable	320,753	350,893	357,964	365,177	372,536
Inventories	226,875	146,386	149,336	152,345	155,415
Deferred gas purchase cost	85,138	4,865	4,963	5,063	5,165
Gas imbalances - receivables	52,141	73,164	74,638	76,142	77,676
Prepayments and other assets	67,535	76,112	77,646	79,211	80,807
Total current assets	755,741	814,705	913,703	1,033,622	1,152,417
Net property, plant and equipment	5,704,459	5,682,058	5,742,086	5,797,283	5,847,552
Deferred charges					
Regulatory assets	66,216	64,373	64,373	64,373	64,373
Deferred charges	66,929	67,571	67,571	67,571	67,571
Total deferred charges	133,145	131,944	131,944	131,944	131,944
Unconsolidated investments	1,538,548	1,592,713	1,640,046	1,696,304	1,762,234
Goodwill	89,227	89,227	89,227	89,227	89,227
Other	17,423	25,537	25,537	25,537	25,537
Total assets	8,238,543	8,336,184	8,542,543	8,773,917	9,008,911
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Current liabilities					
Long term debt due within one year	1,083	462,734	472,059	481,571	491,275
Notes payable	297,051	199,116	203,128	207,222	211,397
Accounts payable and accrues liabilities	218,531	187,190	190,962	194,810	198,735
Federal, state and local taxes payable	35,235	43,076	43,944	44,829	45,733
Accrued interest	37,464	58,025	59,194	60,387	61,604
Gas imbalances - payable	178,087	161,199	164,447	167,761	171,141
Other	204,247	186,610	190,371	194,207	198,120
Total current liabilities	971,698	1,297,950	1,324,105	1,350,786	1,378,005
Deferred credits	205,094	191,885	191,885	191,885	191,885
Accumulated deferred income taxes & other	1,013,863	1,040,608	1,040,608	1,040,608	1,040,608
Long term debt obligation	3,520,906	3,107,939	3,107,939	3,107,939	3,107,939
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Shareholders equity Common stock	- 125,839	- 125,922	- 125,922	- 125,922	- 125,922
Preferred stock	-	-	-	-	-
Premium on capital stock	1,920,622	1,923,916	1,923,916	1,923,916	1,923,916
Less treasury stock at cost	(30,532)	(30,714)	(30,714)	(30,714)	(30,714)
Less common stock held in trust	(10,857)	(10,392)	(10,392)	(10,392)	(10,392)
Deferred compensation plan	10,857	10,392	10,392	10,392	10,392
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(40,157)	(41,392)	(41,392)	(41,392)	(41,392)
Retained earnings	551,210	720,070	900,274	1,104,967	1,312,742
Total stockholders equity	2,526,982	2,697,802	2,878,006	3,082,699	3,290,474
Total stock holders equity and liabilities	8,238,543	8,336,184	8,542,543	8,773,917	9,008,911
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Average Total Debt	3,730,388	3,794,415	3,776,458	3,789,929	3,803,671
Average Net Debt	3,723,466	3,711,123	3,570,238	3,487,508	3,395,420
Net Debt/ Total Book Capitalization	59.8%	58.7%	56.2%	53.9%	51.6%
Average Debt/ EBITDA	4.9x	4.5x	4.2x	4.0x	3.8x
Average Interest Rate Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	5.8%	5.8%	5.9%	5.9%	5.9%

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Exhibit 18	
SUG Cash Flow Statement	

(amounts in thousands except per share data)	2010	2011E	2012E	2013E	2014E
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Net Income Reported	216,213	244,057	274,365	298,854	320,768
Preference dividend	8,335	2,883	2,898	2,912	2,927
Net earnings	224,548	246,940	277,263	301,767	323,694
Depreciation and amortization	228,637	236,097	239,973	244,803	249,731
Amortization of debt expenses, net	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred income taxes	107,418	108,035	110,212	112,433	114,698
Provision for bad debts	8,681	-	-	-	-
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivative	18,514	14,744	-	-	-
Non-cash stock compensation	9,331	-	-	-	-
Earnings from unconsol. investments, adj. for cash dist.	(101,915)	(136,364)	(157,545)	(168,691)	(180,628)
Other	19,967	2,355	-	-	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:	(90,510)	-	-	-	-
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	424,671	471,806	469,903	490,311	507,496
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Additions in property, plant and equipment	(293,022)	(235,120)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)
Proceeds (payments) from sale of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-
Plant retirements and others	(99,469)	345	-	-	-
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(392,491)	(247,275)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Decrease in book overdraft	(14,154)	(853)	-	-	-
Issuance of long-term debt	101,019	41,901	-	-	-
Issuance cost of debt and equity	(7,066)	-	-	-	-
Issuance of common stock and equity units	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid on common and preferred stock	(81,879)	(78,070)	(97,059)	(97,073)	(115,920)
Extinguishment of preferred stock	(115,000)	-	-	-	-
Repayment of debt and capital lease obligation	(140,947)	(136)	-	-	-
Net (payments) borrowing under revolving credit facilities	217,051	(100,892)	-	-	-
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	-	-	-	-	-
Other	1,550	840	-	-	-
Net cash flows provided by financing activities	(39,426)	(137,210)	(97,059)	(97,073)	(115,920)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(7,246)	159,985	85,872	106,529	105,134
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	10,545	3,299	163,284	249,156	355,685
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period Source: Company data, Morgan Stanley Research	3,299	163,284	249,156	355,685	460,818

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_		% of		% of %	% of Rating
Stock Rating Category	Count	Total	Count	Total IBC	Category
Overweight/Buy	1138	41%	470	49%	41%
Equal-weight/Hold	1143	41%	365	38%	32%
Not-Rated/Hold	117	4%	19	2%	16%
Underweight/Sell	389	14%	96	10%	25%
Total	2,787		950		

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# Energy Transfer Equity, LP (ETE.N) - As of 7/19/11 in USD Industry : Midstream Energy MLPs

Stock Rating History: 11/5/08 : NA/A; 3/25/09 : O/A; 12/4/09 : O/I Price Target History: 3/25/09 : 29; 8/2/09 : 34; 1/10/10 : 36; 3/21/10 : 38; 9/16/10 : 40; 10/19/10 : 42; 11/18/10 : 44; 2/17/11 : 45; 4/12/11 : 49; 6/16/11 : 60; 6/24/11 : 50

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Stock Rating History: 7/1/08 : NA/NR; 9/26/08 : NA/NR; 11/5/08 : E/A; 12/4/09 : E/I; 5/12/11 : U/I Price Target History: 9/26/08 : NA; 11/5/08 : 44; 4/12/09 : 43; 7/19/09 : 45; 10/18/09 : 48; 3/21/10 : 50; 7/18/10 : 51; 10/19/10 : 52; 11/18/10 : 53; 2/17/11 : 54; 5/12/11 : 53

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Stock Rating History: 7/1/08 : NA/NR; 9/12/08 : NA/NR; 10/24/08 : NA/NR; 11/5/08 : NA/A; 5/14/09 : NA/A; 6/25/09 : O/A; 12/4/09 : O/I; 1/12/11 : E/I Price Target History: 9/12/08 : NA; 6/25/09 : 17; 7/19/09 : 18; 7/27/09 : 19; 8/10/09 : 20; 10/4/09 : 21; 10/11/09 : 22; 1/10/10 : 24; 5/11/10 : 25; 7/18/10 : 26; 11/9/10 : 28; 2/17/11 : 29

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Southern Union Company (SUG.N) - As of 7/19/11 in USD Industry : Diversified Natural Gas

# Stock Rating History: 7/1/08 : NA/NR; 7/23/09 : NA/NR; 11/10/09 : E/A Price Target History: 11/10/09 : 24; 1/11/10 : 25; 3/1/10 : 26; 8/5/10 : 27; 2/25/11 : 29; 4/12/11 : 30;

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Company (Ticker)

Rating (as of) Price\* (07/18/2011)

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Atlas Energy LP (ATLS.N)	O (03/07/2011)	\$23.79
Atlas Pipeline Partners, L.P.	O (03/07/2011)	\$32.26
(APL.N)	· · · ·	
Boardwalk Pipeline Partners LP	U (12/06/2010)	\$28.72
(BWP.N)	- (	+
Buckeye Partners LP (BPL.N)	E (08/02/2009)	\$64.59
Chesapeake Midstream Partners,	E (05/12/2011)	\$28.26
L.P. (CHKM.N)	= (00, 12,2011)	\$20.20
Copano Energy LLC (CPNO.O)	O (01/12/2011)	\$35.04
Crosstex Energy, Inc. (XTXI.O)	E (01/31/2011)	\$12.87
Crosstex Energy, L.P. (XTEX.O)	E (01/31/2011)	\$17.87
DCP Midstream Partners LP	E (05/12/2011)	\$41.25
(DPM.N)	E (00/12/2011)	ψ+1.20
Duncan Energy Partners LP	++	\$43.02
(DEP.N)		ψ10.0 <u>2</u>
El Paso Pipeline Partners LP	O (11/05/2008)	\$35.3
(EPB.N)	0 (11/00/2000)	<b>\$60.0</b>
Enbridge Energy Partners LP	U (01/14/2010)	\$29.55
(EEP.N)	0 (01/11/2010)	φ20.00
Energy Transfer Equity, LP (ETE.N)	O (03/25/2009)	\$44.03
Energy Transfer Partners LP	U (05/12/2011)	\$47.99
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Enterprise Products Partners LP	++	\$42.88
(EPD.N)		•
Golar LNG Partners LP (GMLP.O)	O (05/18/2011)	\$27.7
Inergy LP (NRGY.N)	O (01/12/2011)	\$35.15
Kinder Morgan Energy Partners LP	U (05/12/2011)	\$73.19
(KMP.N)	- ( /	• • •
Kinder Morgan Inc. (KMI.N)	E (03/23/2011)	\$28.19
Magellan Midstream Partners LP	E (05/12/2011)	\$59
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MarkWest Energy Partners L P	E (06/25/2009)	\$47.92
(MWE.N)	. ,	
Niska Gas Storage Partners LLC	E (06/21/2010)	\$17.31
(NKA.N)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
NuStar Energy LP (NS.N)	U (05/12/2011)	\$63.23
NuStar GP Holdings, LLC (NSH.N)	E (05/12/2011)	\$37.57
ONEOK PARTNERS LP (OKS.N)	E (11/05/2008)	\$43.83
PAA Natural Gas Storage, L.P.	E (06/21/2010)	\$22.99
(PNG.N)	. ,	
Plains All American Pipeline LP	E (08/02/2009)	\$63.55
(PAA.N)	. ,	
Regency Energy Partners, L.P.	E (01/12/2011)	\$26.2
(RGNC.O)	. ,	
Spectra Energy Partners LP	U (05/12/2011)	\$31.08
(SEP.N)	. ,	
Sunoco Logistics Partners LP	U (08/02/2009)	\$83.77
(SXL.N)		
TC Pipelines LP (TCLP.O)	E (05/12/2011)	\$47.19
Targa Resources Corp. (TRGP.N)	O (01/31/2011)	\$34.03
Targa Resources Partners, L.P.	O (05/12/2011)	\$36.07
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Teekay LNG Partners LP (TGP.N)	E (12/06/2010)	\$37.18
Western Gas Partners LP (WES.N)	O (07/14/2010)	\$35.84
Williams Partners LP (WPZ.N)	O (05/13/2010)	\$55.03

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# Increasing the Ante for Southern Union; Last and Final Offer?

**Recommendation:** With the potential to acquire Southern Union Company (SUG), Energy Transfer Equity not only has growing cash flows from its IDR and GP interests in Regency Energy Partners (RGNC) and Energy Transfer Partners (ETP), but would also gain an attractive set of gas gathering and processing, transmission and storage assets. Considering the enhanced potential for DCF growth should definitive acquisition terms be reached, we would expect the partnership to outperform the broader market on a total return basis over the next 12-18 months.

- Not throwing in the towel: Energy Transfer Equity increases its bid for Southern Union Company. For \$9.4 billion, including \$3.7 billion in existing debt (excludes \$1.3 billion of net Citrus Corp. debt), ETE has improved its offer to \$5.7 billion in equity consideration. This reflects a price of \$44.25/share in cash or a conversion of 1.0x ETE common units for each Southern Unit owned. Of note, the maximum cash component is 60% of the aggregate consideration and the common unit portion can fluctuate between 40% and 50%.
- Reduced 2012E DCF accretion; however, intrinsic long-term value still exists for ETE at this price point. Given our expected range of \$1-\$1.075 billion in 2012 Adj-EBITDA for SUG, we calculate a ~10-10.7x transaction multiple, at the lower end of the 10-14x EBITDA range for recent transactions of similar assets. This surpasses both ETE's second offer of \$40/share in cash or a 0.903x ETE conversion (reflecting ~9.5-10.2x 2012E EBITDA) as well as Williams' second offer of \$44/share all cash. When reconciling Adj-EBITDA to DCF, net of interest expense, maintenance capex, taxes, the potential for \$100 million in synergies and distributions to new ETE units (assuming a 45% equity consideration), we believe SUG could contribute ~\$113-140 million in incremental cash available for distribution, reflecting ~16-20% accretion on a per unit basis relative to our \$2.55/unit 2012 forecast. Of note, this forecast excludes the 50% ownership in Citrus Corp., which would be dropped down to Energy Transfer Partners L.P. for \$2 billion concurrent with a closing of the ETE/SUG merger.
- 50% interest in Citrus Corp. revised from \$1.9 billion to \$2 billion total consideration; long-term accretion to ETP/ETE hinges on future profitability. Given our forecast for \$300 million in 2012 Adj-EBITDA for SUG's 50% interest in Citrus Corp. (owns 100% of the Florida Gas Transmission pipeline system), we are projecting an 11x multiple on 2012E EBITDA. Based on that estimate, net of financing requirements, etc., we model the transaction to be marginally accretive to Energy Transfer Partners (a fraction of 1% in 2012).

**Valuation:** We continue to favor an investment in ETE vs. ETP given its attractive relative valuation (~5.7% yield vs. the general partners' peer average of 4.2%) and a 2011-2014E cash distribution CAGR of 10.7%. As such, we reiterate our **Outperform** rating and are maintaining our \$50 target price, based on our dividend discount/yield spread model detailed on page 5.

EPU	Q1 Mar	Q2 Jun	Q3 Sep	Q4 Dec	Full Year	Cash Flow (mil.)
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2010A	\$0.50	\$0.09	\$(0.07)	\$0.34	\$0.86	\$485
Old 2011E	0.40A	0.37	0.42	0.58	1.76	516
New 2011E	0.40A	0.37	0.42	0.58	1.76	516
Old 2012E	0.64	0.43	0.45	0.61	2.13	565
New 2012E	0.64	0.43	0.45	0.61	2.13	565

Rows may not add due to rounding and changes in unit count. Figures exclude non-recurring gains and losses.

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#### **Company Comment**

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Rating		_
	Outperform 2	2
Current and Target Price _		_
Current Price (7/19/2011)	\$43.53	3
Target Price:	\$50.0	0
52-Week Range	\$47.34 - \$32.6	1
Suitability	Total Return	n
Market Data		_
Shares Out. (mil.)	223.0	0
Market Cap. (mil.)	\$9,70	7
Avg. Daily Vol. (10 day)	399,160	0
Dividend/Yield	\$2.50/5.7%	6
BVPS (03/11)	\$0.40	0
Proj. 3-Yr Cash Dist/Unit C	AGR 10.7%	6
Earnings & Valuation Met	rics	_
2010A	2011E 2012	Е
P/E Ratios		
50.6x	24.7x 20.4	х
Cash Dist./Unit		

#### **Company Description**

\$2.16

\$2.16

Old

New

Energy Transfer Equity L.P., headquartered in Dallas, Texas, owns the general partner interests, 100% of the incentive distribution rights, and approximately 28% of the outstanding limited partner interests of Energy Transfer Partners L.P. The partnership also owns the general partner interests, 100% of the incentive distribution rights, and approximately 22% of the outstanding limited partner interests of Regency Energy Partners L.P.

\$2.32

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# Committed to the cause: Energy Transfer Equity increases its bid for Southern Union Co.

For \$9.4 billion, including \$3.7 billion in debt (excludes \$1.3 billion of Citrus Corp. debt), ETE has restated its merger agreement with Southern Union in a transaction to close in 1Q12. Specifically, Energy Transfer Equity's improved offer of \$5.7 billion in equity consideration reflects a price of \$44.25/share in cash or a conversion of 1.0x ETE common units for each Southern unit. Of note, the maximum cash component is 60% of the aggregate consideration and the common unit portion can fluctuate between 40% and 50%.

# Qualitative rationale remains the same

As detailed in our 6/17/11 comment: *"ETE: Raising TP to \$50.00; Prime Beneficiary in Southern Union Acquisition"*, the proforma asset base not only provides a more competitive interstate and midstream platform and greater vertical integration across the gathering and processing/NGL value chain (~45,000 miles of pipe), but also reflects a substantial increase in stable, fee-based cash flow from long-term contracts (~77% of SUG's estimated 2011 EBITDA is driven by interstate pipelines and storage facilities). Additionally, ETE's cash flow composition becomes further diversified, shifting from 80% ETP/20% RGNC to 56% ETP/30% SUG/14% RGNC. Beyond increased organic growth potential in strategic, prolific supply areas, substantial DCF upside could be realized via multiple asset dropdown opportunities to both Energy Transfer Partners and/or Regency Energy Partners.

# Accretion to 2012 DCF exists, albeit at a reduced magnitude.

As detailed in the ETE 2012 EBITDA/DCF Sensitivity Proforma Southern Union Acquisition table below, we have outlined a sensitivity analysis predicated on the assumed level of expected Southern Union 2012 Adjusted-EBITDA. Of note, this forecast excludes the EBITDA benefit of the 50% ownership in Citrus Corp., given that this asset will be dropped down to Energy Transfer Partners L.P. for \$2 billion concurrent with the potential closing of the ETE/SUG merger. Thus, when reconciling Adj-EBITDA to total distributable cash flow (DCF), the majority of our assumptions in the revised calculation remain the same, net of Citrus.

Specifically, we have assumed 1) \$239 million in interest expense on existing SUG debt of \$3.7 billion (~2% increase relative to the midpoint of SUG's 2011 guidance, less an assumed \$86 million in interest expense associated with \$1.3 billion in Citrus Corp. debt), 2) \$69 million in additional interest expense on new issue ETE debt (\$1.1 billion of term debt at 6.25%), 3) \$30 million in taxable liability, 4) maintenance capex of \$230 million (net of \$80 million allocated toward Citrus), and 5) \$100 million in commercial and operational synergies (45%/23%/20%/12% from asset optimization/O&M savings/compensation and benefits/corporate overhead reductions, respectively). Of note, the \$100 million in per-annum synergies does not include the potential for an additional \$25 million in one-time savings related to capex avoidances, utilization of existing rights of way, etc. Finally, net of the distributions to the new ETE units (assuming a 45% equity consideration at a 1.0x conversion ratio of the 125.5 million outstanding SUG shares to ETE units), we believe SUG could contribute ~\$113-\$140 million in incremental cash available for distribution, reflecting \$0.40-\$0.50/unit of immediate accretion, or 16-20% accretion on a per unit basis relative to our \$2.55/unit 2012 ETE cash distribution forecast.

\$725,000 \$239,000) (\$68,750)	<u>ibution (Thou:</u> \$750,000 (\$239,000)	\$775,000
(\$68,750)	(\$239,000)	(\$220,000)
		(\$239,000)
(\$20,000)	(\$68,750)	(\$68,750)
(\$30,000)	(\$30,000)	(\$30,000)
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$230,000)	(\$230,000)	(\$230,000)
\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
\$257,250	\$282,250	\$307,250
\$143,784)	(\$143,784)	(\$143,784)
\$113,466	\$138,466	\$163,466
279,452	279,452	279,452
\$0.406	\$0.495	\$0.585
	19.5%	23.0%
\$	0.406 16.0%	·

# ETE 2012 EBITDA/DCF Sensitivity Proforma Southern Union Acquisition\*

\* Excludes 50% interest in Citrus, which owns 100% of the Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) pipeline system

\*\* Reflects RJ 2012 ETE Cash Distribution Forecast of \$2.545/unit

Source: RJ Research Estimates

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In an attempt to further narrow down the sensitivity analysis detailed in the table on the preceding page and focus on one specific set of assumptions, the table below highlights a forecast of \$750 million in projected 2012 Southern Union Adjusted-EBITDA, net of SUG's 50% interest in Citrus Corp. Encompassing the same assumptions outlined on the previous page, we arrive at ~\$0.49/unit or ~19% accretion on a per unit basis relative to our published \$2.55/unit 2012 ETE cash distribution forecast.

# Energy Transfer Equity L.P.: Southern Union Acquisition 2012 DCF Accretion Analysis\*

		ETE	+ SUG Acquisition*	= TOTAL
Adjusted	EBITDA	\$1,934,803	\$750 <i>,</i> 000	\$2,684,803
Less:	Interest Expense on SUG debt (Excludes \$1.3B Citrus Debt)	(\$616,118)	(\$239,000)	(\$855,118)
	Interest Expense on new ETE debt (\$1.1B @ 6.25%)	\$0	(\$68,750)	(\$68,750)
	Taxes (incl. Federal/State, etc)	(\$21,379)	(\$30,000)	(\$51 <i>,</i> 379)
	Minority Interest	(\$412 <i>,</i> 586)	\$0	(\$412,586)
	Maintenance Capital Expenditures	0	(\$230,000)	(\$230,000)
	Synergies (Commercial/Operational)	0	100,000	\$100,000
Free Cash	h Flow	\$884,720	\$282,250	\$1,166,970
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	ibution per L.P. unit	\$3.755		
ETP distr	ibution coverage	1.08x		
Cash Flov	w from ETP	\$660,431		\$660,431
Cash Flov	w from RGNC	\$68,653		\$68,653
SG&A		\$5,000		\$5,000
Interest E	Expense	<u>\$159,000</u>		<u>\$159,000</u>
Net Cash	Flows	\$565 <i>,</i> 084	\$282,250	\$847 <i>,</i> 334
Distribut	ions to New ETE Units (Assumes 45% Equity Consideration, 1.00x Ra	tio)**	(\$143,784)	
Cash Ava	ialbe for Distribution	\$565 <i>,</i> 084	\$138,466	\$847,334
Common	units	222,955	56,497	279,452
Total Uni	ts	222,955	56,497	279,452
Cash Dist	ributions			
ETE Cash	Flow per Unit	\$2.535		\$3.032
Total Imp	olied ETE Distribution	\$2.545	\$0.487	\$3.032
Distribut	ion Coverage			
<b>Total Uni</b>	t Coverage	1.00x		1.00x
A	in thousands avpact par unit data			

Amounts in thousands expect per unit data

Source: RJ Research Estimates, Southern Union Company, Energy Transfer Equity L.P.

\* Excludes 50% interest in Citrus, which owns 100% of the Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) pipeline system

\*\* Reflects RJ 2012 ETE Cash Distribution Forecast of \$2.545/unit

# Our model assumptions: 50% interest in Citrus Corp. dropdown only accretive to 2012E Energy Transfer Partners' DCF at \$300 million of EBITDA contribution or better.

As detailed in the ETP 2012 EBITDA/DCF Sensitivity: Citrus Corp. Dropdown table on the following page, we have outlined a sensitivity analysis highlighting the assumed level of SUG's expected 2012 Adjusted-EBITDA from its 50% interest in Citrus Corp., the 100% owner of the Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT). Recall, FGT is a 5,500 mile interstate pipeline with throughput capacity of 3.2 Bcf/d and a weighted average contract life of approximately 25 years remaining. In our opinion, this is the premier natural gas pipeline into Florida, and offers substantial scale expansion projects. One of the most notable was the approximate \$2.48 billion FGT phase VIII expansion, encompassing 820 MMcf/d of design capacity, with over 75% of that capacity committed by 25-year average contracts. Once fully subscribed, run rate Adjusted-EBITDA is targeted to be in the range of \$290-\$310 million, reflecting a material improvement vs. 2011 guidance of \$245-\$260 million.

The table below details four independent scenarios of accretion/dilution to ETP common units, predicated on the level of Citrus' 2012 Adjusted EBITDA proforma the dropdown from ETE. Based on the expected range of \$275-\$312.5 million in 2012 Adj.-EBITDA for Citrus, we calculate Energy Transfer Equity's revised bid reflects a ~10.5-12x EBITDA multiple, or 11x on our target assumption. When reconciling Adjusted-EBITDA to total DCF, we have assumed 1) \$86 million in interest expense on the \$1.3 billion of net Citrus debt (reflects a 2-3% decrease vs. SUG's 2011 guidance) 2) an additional \$60 million of interest expense on newly issued ETP debt to account for 50% of financing regarding the \$2 billion purchase price (\$1 billion of cash distributions to newly issued ETP units, which reflects the remaining 50% financing regarding the \$2 billion purchase price (i.e. \$1 billion in incremental equity) and 5) \$48 million of distributions to ETE given the newly issued ETP units. Finally, net of \$55 million in annual incentive distribution rights (IDR) give backs from the GP to enhance LP accretion and offset the full multiple paid, we believe the dropdown of Citrus to ETP to only reflect accretion to 2012 DCF at the \$300 million Adjusted-EBITDA level or greater on a per unit basis relative to our published \$3.755/unit 2012 ETP cash distribution forecast.

	2012 Citrus EBITDA Contribution (Thousands of \$)					
	\$275,000	\$287,500	\$300,000	\$312,500		
ssumed EBITDA Purchase Multiple	12.00x	11.48x	11.00x	10.56x		
Interest Expense on \$1.3B in Net Citrus Debt	(\$86,000)	(\$86,000)	(\$86,000)	(\$86,000)		
Interest Expense on new ETP debt (\$1B @ 6.00%)	(\$60,000)	(\$60,000)	(\$60,000)	(\$60,000)		
Income Taxes (incl. Federal/State)	(\$1)	(\$1)	(\$1)	(\$1)		
Maintenance Capital Expenditures	(\$80,000)	(\$80,000)	(\$80,000)	(\$80,000)		
Total Distributable Cash Flow (DCF)	\$48,999	\$61,499	\$73,999	\$86,499		
Distributions to Newly Issued ETP units	(\$80,753)	(\$80,753)	(\$80,753)	(\$80,753)		
Distributions to ETE on Newly Issued ETP units	(\$47,575)	(\$47,575)	(\$47,575)	(\$47,575)		
Annual Incentive Distribution Right (IDR) Giveback	\$55 <i>,</i> 000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000		
Cash Available for Distribution	(\$24,328)	(\$11,828)	\$672	\$13,172		
ETP Units Outstanding	227,691	227,691	227,691	227,691		
TP Immediate Accretion/Dilution per Unit	(\$0.107)	(\$0.052)	\$0.003	\$0.058		
TP Immediate Accretion/Dilution per Unit (%)**	-2.85%	-1.38%	0.08%	1.54%		

# ETP 2012 EBITDA/DCF Sensitivity : Citrus Corp. Dropdown\*

\* Reflects 50% interest in Citrus, which owns 100% of the Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) pipeline system

\*\* Reflects RJ 2012 ETP Cash Distribution Forecast of \$3.755/unit

Source: RJ Research Estimates

# Creativity counts: structural tweaks result in a very attractive offer for SUG shareholders.

In our opinion, ETE's revised offer will be tough to surpass. Specifically, this offer 1) has a higher cash consideration (albeit minimal) vs. the \$44/share all cash Williams offer, 2) has upside potential via the intrinsic value of ETE common units: this relates to the IDRs associated with underlying RGNC and ETP LP cash flow growth potential, as well as the tax-deferred treatment of the units, 3) has support from shareholders representing 14% of SUG's total shares outstanding (who have pre-elected to receive ETE common units as their consideration), 4) has substantial synergistic and strategic operational benefits, and 5) has improved clarity to close with less associated risk.

Qualitatively, there is no question that the proforma asset base not only provides a more competitive interstate and midstream platform and greater vertical integration across the gathering and processing/NGL value chain (~45,000 miles of pipe), but also reflects a substantial increase in stable, fee-based cash flow from long-term contracts (~77% of SUG's estimated 2011 EBITDA is driven by interstate pipelines and storage facilities). Additionally, ETE's cash flow composition becomes further diversified, shifting from 80% ETP/20% RGNC to 56% ETP/30% SUG/14% RGNC. Beyond increased organic growth potential in strategic, prolific supply areas, substantial DCF upside could be realized via multiple asset dropdown opportunities to both Energy Transfer Partners and/or Regency Energy Partners. In sum, we continue to favor an investment in ETE vs. ETP given its attractive relative valuation (~5.7%



yield vs. the general partners' peer average of 4.2%) and healthy 2011-2014E cash distribution CAGR of 10.7%. As such, we reiterate our **Outperform** rating and are maintaining our target price of \$50/unit, based on our dividend discount/yield spread model detailed below.

# Valuation: Maintaining \$50.00/unit target price.

To recap our dividend discount/yield spread valuation methodology for general partners, we sum the discounted cash flow from (1) estimated distributions for the next five years, and (2) a calculated terminal value that is based on a 2% perpetual distribution growth rate, which exemplifies the same cash flow leverage inherent in the LP/GP relationship.

For GPs, the average cost of equity assumption we use to discount the distributions is the average five-year cost of equity at the LP level. Recall, at the LP level, to calculate the average five-year cost of equity, we add a basis point spread assumption over our 10-year Treasury assumption of 4.0% to reach a target yield, which is then divided by the limited partner interest or calculated by subtracting the general partner distribution interest from one. When considering a 1) 10.9% cost of equity, 2) improved cash distribution growth potential into 2013/2014 and beyond (our 2011-2014E CAGR in cash distributions remains 10.7%), and 3) a 5% perpetual growth rate, we arrive at a target price of \$50.00/unit, as detailed below.

ETE Dividend Discount Model	
10-Year Treasury assumption	4.00%
Average cost of equity	10.90%
Valuation	\$50.00

Company Name	Ticker	Exchange	Currency	<b>Closing Price</b>	<b>RJ</b> Rating	RJ Entity
Energy Transfer Partners L.P.	ETP	NYSE	\$	47.21	3	RJ & Associates
Regency Energy Partners L.P.	RGNC	NASDAQ	\$	26.45	NC	
Southern Union Company	SUG	NYSE	\$	44.34	NC	
The Williams Companies, Inc.	WMB	NYSE	\$	30.64	2	RJ & Associates

Notes: Prices are as of the most recent close on the indicated exchange and may not be in US\$. See Disclosure section for rating definitions. Stocks that do not trade on a U.S. national exchange may not be approved for sale in all U.S. states. NC=not covered.



	E	Energy Tra	Insfer Equ	ity L.P. C	onsolidate	ed Income	Statemen	t			
	2010	Mar	Jun E	Sep E	Dec E	2011 E	Mar E	Jun E	Sep E	Dec E	2012 E
Revenues											
Total revenue	6,604,132	1,989,120	1,399,629	1,475,869	1,731,233	6,595,851	1,838,137	1,500,112	1,533,058	1,774,495	6,645,802
Cost of Products Sold											
Total cost of products sold	4,115,243	1,201,426	805,335	822,753	948,903	3,778,416	1,007,040	823,241	840,978	974,761	3,646,020
Operating expenses	786,086	220,696	197,958	193,899	217,823	830,376	211,777	211,427	215,678	222,048	860,929
SG&A	235,092	63,499	45,775	51,352	48,592	209,218	51,011	50,458	53,653	48,927	204,049
Depreciation & Amortization	431,649	139,256	99,596	100,297	101,006	440,155	101,423	101,843	102,265	102,691	408,222
OPERATING INCOME	1,036,062	364,243	250,965	307,567	414,910	1,337,686	466,887	313,143	320,484	426,067	1,526,581
Other income (expense)	(684,412)	(155,248)	(126,739)	(150,074)	(150,565)	(582,626)	(155,591)	(155,584)	(155,395)	(149,547)	(616,118)
Income tax	(14,451)	(9,903)	(3,881)	(4,941)	(6,372)	(25,097)	(6,397)	(4,533)	(4,620)	(5,829)	(21,379)
Minority interest	(143,498)	(110,452)	(37,557)	(58,157)	(128,716)	(334,882)	(161,718)	(56,570)	(60,225)	(134,072)	(412,586)
Loss from discontinued operations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (continuing operations)	194,412	88,640	82,788	94,395	129,257	395,081	143,181	96,455	100,243	136,619	476,499
G.P. interest in net income	597	274	414	472	646	1,806	716	482	501	683	2,382
L.P. interest in net income	192,161	88,366	82,374	93,923	128,611	393,275	142,465	95,973	99,742	135,936	474,116
Total Units	222,941	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955
Earnings per unit (as reported)	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.58	\$ 1.76	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.61	\$ 2.13
Adjusted EBITDA Calculation Net Income	404 440	00.040	00 700	04 205	100.057	205.004	442 404	00 455	400.040	400.040	470 400
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Interest expense Interest and other income	624,914 0	167,929	153,693	154,074	154,565	630,262	155,591	155,584	155,395	149,547	616,118 0
Income taxes	14.451	9,903	3.881	4,941	6.372	25.097	6.397	4.533	4.620	5.829	21.379
Depreciation and amortization	431,649	139,256	99,596	100,297	101,006	440,155	101,423	101,843	102,265	102,691	408,222
Minority interest	143,498	110,452	37,557	58,157	128,716	334,882	161,718	56,570	60.225	134.072	412,586
EBITDA	1,408,924	516,180	377,515	411,865	519,916	1,825,476	568,309	414,986	422,749	528,759	1,934,803

		ENERG			L.P. CAS	H FLOW MO	DDEL				
	2010	Mar	<u>Jun E</u>	Sep E	Dec E	<u>2011 E</u>	Mar E	<u>Jun E</u>	Sep E	Dec E	<u>2012 E</u>
ETP distribution per L.P. unit	\$ 3.5750	\$ 0.8938	\$ 0.8938	\$ 0.9038	\$ 0.9138	\$ 3.6050	\$ 0.9238	\$ 0.9338	\$ 0.9438	\$ 0.9538	\$ 3.7550
ETP distribution coverage	0.89x	1.14x	0.79x	0.88x	1.22x	1.01x	1.36x	0.86x	0.87x	1.21x	1.08x
ETP Standard Distribution Rights	19,523	4,896	4,877	4,877	4,877	19,527	4,877	4,877	4,877	4,877	19,508
ETP Incentive Distribution Rights	375,959	103,182	103,802	105,864	107,926	420,773	109,987	112,049	114,111	116,173	452,321
ETP Common Unit Distributions	190,530	44,890	44,890	45,393	45,895	181,068	46,397	46,899	47,402	47,904	188,602
Other Adjustments											
Cash Flow from ETP	586,012	152,968	153,569	156,133	158,697	621,368	161,262	163,826	166,390	168,954	660,431
RGNC Standard Distribution Rights	3,640	1,269	1,269	1,269	1,269	5,076	1,269	1,269	1,269	1,269	5,076
RGNC Incentive Distribution Rights	3,016	1,114	1,250	1,586	1,921	5,871	2,256	2,592	2,927	3,262	11,037
RGNC Common unit distributions	35,067	11,689	11,953	12,216	12,478	48,336	12,741	13,004	13,266	13,529	52,540
Cash Flow from RGNC	41,723	14,072	14,472	15,070	15,668	59,282	16,266	16,864	17,462	18,060	68,653
Pro Rata Cash Settlement for 2Q10	2,046	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SG&A	21,942	1,755	1,250	1,250	1,250	5,505	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	5,000
Interest Expense	291,278	40,119	<u>39,750</u>	<u>39,750</u>	39,750	159,369	<u>39,750</u>	<u>39,750</u>	<u>39,750</u>	39,750	159,000
Net Cash Flows	485,111	125,166	127,041	130,203	133,366	515,776	136,528	139,690	142,852	146,014	565,084
Cash Flow to Unitholders	485,111	125,166	127,041	130,203	133,366	515,776	136,528	139,690	142,852	146,014	565,084
Units Outstanding	222,941	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955	222,955
ETE Cash Flow per Unit	\$ 2.176	\$ 0.5614	\$ 0.5698	\$ 0.5840	\$ 0.5982	\$ 2.3134	\$ 0.6124	\$ 0.6265	\$ 0.6407	\$ 0.6549	\$ 2.5345
ETE Distribution	\$ 2.160	\$ 0.5600	\$ 0.5650	\$ 0.5850	\$ 0.6050	\$ 2.3150	\$ 0.6175	\$ 0.6300	\$ 0.6425	\$ 0.6550	\$ 2.5450
YOY Growth	1.2%					7.2%					9.9%
Coverage	1.01x	1.00x	1.01x	1.00x	0.99x	1.00x	0.99x	0.99x	1.00x	1.00x	1.00x

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#### Inability to Remove the General Partner

Each master limited partnership (excluding GP MLPs) will have a general partner that manages the operations, activities, and board of directors through a 2% general partner interest. The general partner of a MLP will also have a 100% interest in the incentive distribution rights and typically will own additional limited partnership interests. Given this level of control, removing the general partner or the individuals in management is not likely. As a result, unitholders will have a limited voice in corporate governance.

### **Restriction of Ownership**

For partnerships with inter-state, FERC-regulated assets, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulations restrict ownership of partnership units to U.S. taxpayers.

# Company-Specific Risks for Energy Transfer Equity L.P.

#### Inability to Remove the General Partner

84.7% of Energy Transfer Equity's common units are controlled by management and other non-public investors. Given this level of control, removing the general partner or individuals in management is not likely. As a result, unitholders have a very limited voice in corporate governance.

### **Distributions Are Not Guaranteed**

The actual amount of cash distributed to unitholders may fluctuate and will depend on the operating performance of both Energy Transfer Partners and Energy Transfer Equity. Cash distributions for Energy Transfer Partners are dependent primarily on margins and throughput volumes, while distributions at Energy Transfer Equity depend on ETP distributions as well as other expenses, such as interest expense and SG&A. Should operating performance at either partnership falter, cash distributions could be decreased or terminated.

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### **Volumes Could Decline**

Gathering and transmission pipelines, such as those that Energy Transfer Partners owns, generally do not carry an inordinate amount of commodity price risk but are exposed to supply risk. Supply decreases could result from normal declines in production, a failure to secure new supply agreements, and competition from other pipelines. If supplies and pipeline throughput decrease, Energy Transfer Partners' revenues will decrease accordingly, which may affect the distributions it pays, and in turn, affect distributions to Energy Transfer Equity unitholders.

#### Judicial Risk

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#### **Commodity Price Risk**

Energy Transfer Partners' operations or margins could be exposed to volatility in commodity prices. While a pipeline MLP's revenues are typically generated primarily by tolling fees, margin-based businesses such as propane, marketing activities, and natural gas processing and gathering can be directly and/or indirectly impacted by increases or decreases in commodity prices. Further, Energy Transfer Partners has begun to experience commodity exposure due to its natural gas storage business, acquired in January 2005. In practice, the partnership typically buys natural gas during the spring and summer months to increase inventories at its Bammel storage facility for delivery to customers in the fall and winter months. Energy Transfer Partners attempts to hedge these natural gas volumes to avoid significant adverse price movements. In the first and second fiscal quarters of 2006, Energy Transfer Partners realized significant cash gains from these hedging activities. There is no guarantee that hedging activities will be effective, and it is conceivable that the recent gains could be offset in the future. Energy Transfer Equity's distributions could be impacted given Energy Transfer Partners' exposure to commodity prices.

#### **Potential Conflicts of Interest**

The general partners of both Energy Transfer Partners and Energy Transfer Equity share some of the same board members. As such, conflicts of interest could arise whereby the resolution may not always be in the best interest of Energy Transfer Equity's unitholders. Further, affiliates of the general partner are not prohibited from engaging in other businesses that could potentially be in direct competition with the partnership.

#### **Dependence Upon Capital Markets**

Limited partnerships pay out all available cash in the form of distributions to unitholders. As a result, when growth projects/acquisitions become available, companies are forced to tap the capital markets for the necessary financing. Market conditions may or may not be attractive to the company at the time it needs external funding. Given ETP's high-level of forecasted 2010 capital expenditures, its ability to access capital at reasonable rates is critical to sustaining current cash flow levels to ETE.

#### Valuation Assumptions

Our valuation methodology for limited partnerships makes certain assumptions regarding the future growth in distributions for a company. If the actual growth rate of distributions varies from our expectations, it can have a significant effect on the forecasted price target. This sensitivity to growth assumptions is even more acute in the case of general partners, since the majority of the current price is derived from the expected growth in distributions to GP holders over the next few years, rather than the current yield. Further, the general partner structure in itself is fairly new to the marketplace. As such, the valuation approach for publicly traded general partners could evolve in the coming years.

#### **General Partner Reporting Conventions**

Most publicly traded general partners, including Energy Transfer Equity, generate the vast majority (100% in most cases) of their earnings and cash flows from their ownership interests in the underlying partnership. Most of the general partners do not publish separate earnings releases or conference calls surrounding results, so analysts typically "back calculate" the general partner results by using the results of the underlying MLP. Since the majority of GP cash flows are passthroughs from the underlying MLP, this approach does not present a major difficulty at this point. However, if a general partner begins to finance the underlying MLP's operations with additional debt at the GP level, or begins to conduct significant operations outside the underlying MLP, the interpretation of the reported information of the general partner could become even more difficult.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Increasing interest rates could increase debt service costs and interest expense and this might negatively affect the partnership's distributable cash flow.

#### Company-Specific Risks for Energy Transfer Partners L.P.

#### **Volumes Could Decline**

Gathering and transmission pipelines generally do not carry commodity price risk, but are exposed to supply risk. If supplies decrease and the related throughput in the pipeline decreases, Energy Transfer's revenues will decrease accordingly. Supply decreases result from normal declines in production, a failure to secure new supply agreements, and competition from other pipelines.

#### **Product Costs**

The retail propane business is a "margin-based" business where the level of profitability is largely dependent on the difference between the retail sales price and the product cost. The unit cost of propane is subject to volatile changes as a result of product supply or other market

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conditions, including economic and political factors impacting crude oil and natural gas supply or pricing. Propane unit cost changes can occur rapidly over a short period of time and can impact retail margins. There is no assurance that Energy Transfer Partners will be able to pass on product cost increases fully or immediately, particularly when product costs increase rapidly.

#### Seasonality

The retail propane distribution business is seasonal because propane is primarily used for heating in residential and commercial buildings. Historically, approximately two-thirds of Energy Transfer Partners' retail propane volume is sold during the six-month peak heating season from October through March. Consequently, propane sales and related operating profits are concentrated in the partnership's first and second fiscal quarters. Cash flows from Energy Transfer Partners' propane business, therefore, are greatest during the second and third fiscal quarters when customers pay for propane purchased during the winter heating season. Lower operating profits and either net losses or lower net income from the partnership's propane division during the period from March through August (the partnership's third and fourth fiscal quarters) is expected. To the extent necessary, the partnership will reserve cash from the second and third quarters for distribution to unitholders in the first and fourth fiscal quarters.

### Weather

Weather conditions have a significant impact on the demand for propane for both heating and agricultural purposes. Many customers of Energy Transfer Partners rely heavily on propane as a heating fuel. Accordingly, the volume of propane sold is directly affected by the severity of the winter weather (which can vary substantially from year to year) in the partnership's service areas. In any given area, sustained warmer-than-normal temperatures will tend to result in reduced propane use, while sustained colder-than-normal temperatures will tend to result in greater propane use.

### **Distributions Are Not Guaranteed**

Energy Transfer Partners' minimum quarterly distribution is not guaranteed. The actual amounts of cash distributions may fluctuate and will depend on Energy Transfer Partners' future operating performance. Cash distributions are dependent primarily on cash flow, including cash flow from reserves and working capital borrowings, and not solely on profitability, which is affected by non-cash items.

### Judicial Risk

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#### **Risk Management**

Energy Transfer Partners also attempts to minimize the effects of market price fluctuations for its propane supply by entering into certain financial contracts. In order to manage a portion of its propane price market risk, Energy Transfer uses contracts for the forward purchase of propane, propane fixed-price supply agreements, and derivative commodity instruments such as price swap and option contracts. The swap instruments are a contractual agreement to exchange obligations of money between the buyer and seller of the instruments as propane volumes during the pricing period are purchased. The swaps are tied to a fixed price bid by the buyer and a floating price determination for the seller based on certain indices at the end of the relevant trading period. The partnership had entered into these swap instruments in the past to hedge the projected propane volumes to be purchased during each of the one-month periods during the projected heating season.

#### **Acquisition Risks**

The risk of a dilutive or unsuccessful acquisition by Energy Transfer Partners exists. The risks inherent in making acquisitions (i.e., integration risk, limited operating history, competition, etc.) could impair Energy Transfer Partners' ability to make cash distributions. Management attempts to minimize these risks by doing extensive due diligence work.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Increasing interest rates could increase debt service cost and interest expense that might negatively affect the partnership's distributable cash flow.

# **Company-Specific Risks for The Williams Companies**

Williams is subject to many of the same risks as a typical U.S. independent producer. Those risks include: commodity price fluctuations, operating risks, exploration risks, potential increases in oilservice costs, timing and control risk for non-operated prospects, political and regulatory risks, and financial risks.

#### **High Leverage**

Williams historically has maintained a moderate to high level of financial leverage. Potential declines in future profitability and cash flow generation could impact its ability to service its debt obligations as well as its ability to reinvest its cash flow in operations.

## **High Natural Gas Weighting**

Virtually 100% of Williams' proved reserves are natural gas, which increases the sensitivity of its asset values and revenues to changes in natural gas prices.

# **Volumes Could Decline**

Gathering and transmission pipelines, and NGL storage assets such as those owned by Williams Partners, generally do not carry an inordinate amount of commodity price risk but are exposed to supply risk. Supply decreases could result from normal declines in production, a failure to

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secure new supply agreements, and competition from other pipelines. If supplies and pipeline throughput decrease, Williams' revenues will decrease accordingly.

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